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Dinner Chat

WHEN readers of the *Jewish Spectator* regain their breath from laughing at the discomfiture of Father Coughlin, perhaps they may have time to analyze the logic of their position.

Dr. Aaron Rosmarin, editor of the *Spectator*, in an editorial article which he titles, "Rev. Coughlin's Social Injustice," takes our National Magazine to task for some faulty theology.

The Jewish editor says:

"While it is rather surprising to see SOCIAL JUSTICE acknowledge that the *Ten Commandments* pre-existed Christianity, that God gave them to Moses who, in turn, promulgated them amongst the Jews, the writer of the article nonetheless displays quite a bit of ignorance in stating that the commandment 'thou shalt love the Lord . . . and thy neighbor' is a 'new commandment' which 'Christ came to establish.'

"If the writer would open the *Pentateuch (Deuteronomy 6:4)* he will read there: 'And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.' And in *Leviticus 19:18* he will read: 'thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.'

"Moreover, the *Jewish Bible* commands to love not only 'thy neighbor' but also the *stranger as thyself*. Thus we read in *Leviticus 19:33, 34:* 'The stranger that sojourneth with you shall be unto you as the home-born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself.'

"Some time ago Rev. Coughlin advised Jewry to accept the 'Christian principle' of 'thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself,' apparently being ignorant of the fact that this principle was laid down in the third *Book of Moses*, and is hence a *Jewish* principle!"

And in another paragraph, Dr. Editor Rosmarin says: "Being a Catholic priest, he (Fr. Coughlin) believes himself to be invested with authority to pass judgment on Bibilical matters."

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Now SOCIAL JUSTICE as a secular magazine edited by Christian ladies and gentlemen is certainly not immune to theological "boners," but when and if we make any, they ought not to be imputed to Father Coughlin.

It seems to us that the Jewish editor here insults Jesus Christ and the Catholic priesthood quite as much as the Rev. Father Coughlin — but, let's not get too far afield.

We do not deny that the law of love was "in the Book." "Laid down in the third book of Moses," the Jewish editor says. That's just the trouble, *it has lain there*. The law of love was "in the book" but not in the hearts of the Jewish leaders and, therefore, not in their teaching to the Jewish people. So, after some 4,000 years Christ came to make the law of the book the law of living. And was crucified for His mission!

As a matter of fact the prophecies of Christ's coming as the long-promised Jewish Messiah were also "in the books"; but regarded by the Jewish leaders no more than was Leviticus' law of loving one's neighbor as himself.

In fact, so definite was the place and time of Christ's coming specified in the "old books" that when the Magi came to Herod asking "where is He that is born King of the Jews, for we have seen His star in the East and are come to worship Him" . . . they were sent to the nearest Jewish library where they were directed to Bethlehem of Judea. They followed the directions of the Jewish "book" and they found the Babe.

No, just being "in the book" is not enough. The Jews had the prophesy but they did not own Christ. Christ, not Father Coughlin, said He was "bringing a New Commandment."

Some Christians may be surprised to learn that Leviticus commands the stranger within the gates to be treated with the love shown to fellow Jews. When, we might ask, has this law of hospitality been practiced by the Jewish nation — especially if the stranger chances to be "a Christian goy!"

No, the logic of Dr. Rosmarin and the *Jewish Spectator* is the logic of the Pharisees of Christ's day. It is the same logic that has kept the Jewish people where they are.

It is of a piece with the letters which come to us from time to time quoting some obscure rabbi or a resolution by some Jewish Veterans' post, and the sender says:

"There, see! 'The Jews' are not in favor of Communism. SOCIAL JUSTICE is a liar," or worse — "anti-Semitic."

We certainly are asking for it in this little comment.

For this defense of our amateur theology the staff of SOCIAL JUSTICE will surely be called anti-Semitic.

But, in all fairness, we ask you, cannot Dr. Rosmarin's attack on Jesus Christ, the Catholic priesthood, Father Coughlin, and SOCIAL JUSTICE Magazine, also be called "anti-Christian"?

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Pete Asks Your Help t' Give Better Service

HELLO FOLKS:

Well, I do b'leeve it pays t' komplain once in a while—even 'bout th' wether. I don't know if th' wether-man overherd me 'r not, but I do know that we got a brake in th' awful hotspell we had 'n are now enjoyin' a good shiver 'n shake, though our teeth haven't been chatterin' yet.

Now, let's see, what's new this week. Nothin' much t' report on th' skool-buildin'—I was up lookin' at it 'n it's comin' along. I guess th' klassrooms'll be reddy f'r use when skool opens but th' jim 'n kafateria will take a littul longer.

Th' girls 'kadumy is gettin' along fine, too. I've been told by Pal that th' date uv dedakashun has been set f'r Oktober 3rd—th' feast-day uv th' Little Flower who is th' patroness uv th' Shrine.

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One uv th' girls jus' asked me t' pass along a sugjestyun that's make life a little simpler f'r th' subskripshun department 'n which'd help ev'ryone get better servus. Y'know it's awful hard t'make out a lotta peepul's handwritin'—they c'n reed their names 'n 'dressus, 'cause they know 'em, but th' poor girl tryin' t' take care uv 'em has 'n awful time with a lot uv 'em. So if y'll jus' remember t' rite y'r names reel plain—dottin' th' eyes 'n not th' eez 'n crossin' th' tees 'n not th' ells 'n makin' ohs nice 'n full 'n round so they won't look like ayes we'd 'preshiate it a lot. It'd be a good idea t' print y'r name 'n address on th' koopen when y' send it in, I guess.

Annuther thing one uv' th' girls asked me t' menshun konserns changus uv addressus. This time a lot uv y' folks'll move — ev'ry'Fall 'n Spring peepul get th' erge to move, it seems—'n in th' hurry 'n skurry kwite a few f'rget t' give us what their old address was 'n jus' give us th' new one. Well, we can't put through th' change without havin' th' old address in order t' find y'r rekerd, y' know, 'n if we hafta rite 'n ask y' f'r it annuther week 'r so goes by 'n 'y don't get y'r copy of SOCIAL JUSTICE.

Th' post offuse peepul won't take enny time out t' try t' locate y', so y' see how importunt it is that th' subskripshun departmunt has all th' nesussary infermashun 'bout where y' usta live 's well as where y' moved to.

These're not ment as kriticisums uv y'r handwritin' 'r ennything like that, folks. These remarks're jus' ment as reminders uv littul things that'll make it eezier f'r th' girls in th' offuse t' give y' good servus.

Well, I guess I'll run along now, 'fore you make th' sugjestyun. See y' later.

—Pete.

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Comment

The Roosevelt-Churchill Rendezvous

"The Owl and the Pussy-cat went to sea,
In a beautiful pea-green boat . . ."

TWO PROMISING young statesmen met on the high seas to excogitate a pattern of war aims and peace aims.

After ten days of internationalist mental gymnastics, it was disclosed that Britain's and America's war aims are the dissolution of Hitlerism; that their peace aims are the establishment of security for all.

Like so many "world-shaking" dramas, staged for the benefit of the same lodge and the same fraternity, the promotional build-up was stupenduous, but the performance was a "flop."

This commentator and drama-fan, seated in the very front row at Mr. Attlee's broadcast, felt himself disappointingly let down. So, we find, did the man in the street when we came out afterwards to talk with him about "the show."

On the basis of the mysterious ten-day build-up and the performance we'd say: "fire the actors, and hire the press agents!"

"I give you one more solemn assurance," is a theme familiar as a Rooseveltian solo. This time, the same song was re-written as a duet.

Now, the promises of both Prime Minister Winston Churchill and President Franklin D. Roosevelt should always be weighed in the scales of their past performances.

Both imperial leaders have very faulty records in fulfilling promises.

As for our own Leader, he was, perhaps, intemperate in attaching his signature to the joint conference promises while he was in the situation of being forced to break a virtual promise made to the conscripted youth of his own country.

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The mighty, epoch-making, world-shaking, Magna Chartian, Sermon-on-the-Mount-ish declaration — which we humble Americans were permitted to learn from our common, international, financial capital at London — was unimportant.

It told us nothing that we did not already know.

It disclosed no plan for the defeat of Hitlerism.

It revealed no plan for guaranteeing the freedom of the seas, and the accessibility of raw materials, for all nations — victor and vanquished — on an equal basis.

The broad declaration of fundamental democracy; namely, abolition of force, and the right of free peoples to choose their own government, was present in the Fourteen Points of Woodrow Wilson.

Word, words, words!

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Britain had her chance in 1919 at the *Peace Treaty of Versailles.* By virtue of that *Treaty* she then denied raw materials to the vanquished Germany; by continuing the blockade for months beyond the war, she starved the German people; and, following well-established British tradition, she acquired hundreds of thousands of square miles of territory.

No student of history places any credence in a British promise.

No student of history pays very serious attention to Britain's treaties.

Both broken promises and dishonored treaties are the crushed stones over which the London pirates have marched ever onward to world domination.

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While the joint declaration of principle emphasizes the right of free people to form their own governments, 300-million subject residents in India are witnesses before the court of world opinion, testifying to the insincerity of the imperial British government in its affront to the intelligence of mankind.

For nearly 200 years, Britain did not make raw materials accessible to India. Rather, the exploiters drained India of her wealth; crucified India by depreciating the price of her silver; and entombed India behind the imperial seal of economic death.

For 700 years the people of Ireland were denied a government of their choice; and even at this late date, are forced to accept an imposed partition.

There is an ancient saying to the effect that the "mountain labored and brought forth a mouse."

We might modernize the old saw in the present instance to say that the Atlantic Ocean belched and threw up a minnow!

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What Did They Discuss?

AS A MATTER of fact the joint statement of President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill of Great Britain gives no intimation of what was actually discussed in their mysterious absence of ten days at sea.

It was, as the saying is, "all very masonic"!

Possibly, they explored the practicability of sending an American Expeditionary Force to Dakar, to Vladivostok, to England itself — sending them with broomsticks instead of rifles, with pop-guns, instead of anti-aircraft guns.

Possibly, they discussed utilizing the American fleet in the Orient to impede the aggressions of Japan against Thailand and India.

Possibly, knowing the plight in which Soviet Russia finds herself, they discussed the elasticity of peace proposals — if any credence can be given to the purported statement made by Lord Beaverbrook that England would cease hostilities in thirty days *unless American soldiers came to the rescue of an empire which boasts of 500-million subjects!*

Possibly, they discussed the feasibility of crashing Gibraltar; of steaming through the Mediterranean past Crete and into the Dardanelles to entrap Hitler's forces from the rear.

Possibly, they tried to fathom the morale of the American people. Will the American people accept totalitarianism for Britain's sake? Will the American people bow meekly to regimentation for empire's sake?

Possibly, they toyed with the idea of occupying portions of South America opposite Dakar. And why? England could be surrendered to the Axis; Churchill and his internationalist, imperial government could move to Canada; and seven more years of preparation for the final struggle could be gained against the day of the last battle of British imperialism and the new order.

In other words, did Mr. Churchill try to persuade Mr. Roosevelt to take up the torch from his failing hands?

Was the imperial Prime Minister persuasive enough to hypnotize the American President with the idea of Mr. Roosevelt's becoming the "lord of the world"; the savior of civilization and the victorious conqueror of Hitler?

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Meanwhile, American politics were remotely controlled from the mid-Atlantic.

The virtual promise made to the draftees has been broken in spirit.

Rumors are rife that Cabinet ministers will step down from their lofty pinnacles of power.

Pungent criticism and official anathemas are hurled at France and Japan.

Little by little, the United States is finding herself not the champion of democracies, but the champion of empire as the entire world either turns against us or surrenders in defeat to those who oppose us.

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F.D.R. went fishing in the second week of August, 1941 — memorable as the date when Japan openly defied America, France openly joined the Axis powers, and Russia openly admitted defeat.

Comment

'Sammy the Rose' Takes Over

"FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT, sailing mysteriously off to sea, left behind him big, unpublished news," says *Time* Magazine (Aug. 18). "He had at last decided that the time was ripe to do something final about the staggering, boggling defense program.

"And the man the President has chosen to outline the clean-up was his most intimate adviser, Samuel Irving Rosenman, a judge of New York's Supreme Court.

"Judge Rosenman," continues *Time*, "is a quiet, shy, almost anonymous jurist. Texas-born, Jewish, 45, married, with two sons, he dislikes physical effort, delights in mental exercise. Scholarly, retiring, an easy conversationalist, Rosenman is the President's unofficial speech-writer. Out of 13 years' experience, the President has an absolute respect for Rosenman's judgment, calls him 'Sammy, the Rose.'

"Just before the President and Winston Churchill left on vacation, Mr. Roosevelt called in Judge Rosenman, gave him orders 'large and new, fit for the deed he had to do': ***draft a reorganization plan that would wake up the U. S. people***, produce war materials, aid all victims of aggression. The judge was given complete freedom to rip O.E.M., O.P.M., N.D.A.C., O.P.A.C.S., etc., etc., etc., up and down and sidewise, if he saw fit; the thunderous sky was the limit.

"Franklin Roosevelt's order made Judge Rosenman one of the most important individuals in the U. S."

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The Judge lost no time: First order was a Government decree curbing all installment buying, issued in the name of F.D.R. (who was still at sea), with Mr. Marriner Eccles of the privately controlled Federal Reserve Board in complete charge.

Commenting, editorially, the *Chicago Tribune* said:

"Mr. Eccles of the Federal Reserve Board will be telling the householder how much he will have to pay down on any appliance he wants to buy and how quickly he will have to pay the balance . . . The commissar thus steps between the American citizen who has something to sell and the citizen who wants to buy it. Terms which might be satisfactory to them will not be sufficient in this new American way of life. They must be approved by the Federal Reserve Board . . .

"When an order issues forth from Washington, however strange and extraordinary it may be, the people find themselves obeying it, regardless of the violence it does their system of government and regardless of the injury it does them. The imaginary war which assails them is thrown at them to smother their rebellious instincts and they have become bewildered and pliable . . ."

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The second Executive order issued in the name of the President by Judge Rosenman was the abolition of the eight-hour day on Army projects in the name of defense. One high labor official remarked, this was the beginning of the end of labor's hard-fought and hard-won gains. The 8-hour day abolished in the name of defense, will soon be extended, because of the "emergency" to embrace all labor, and the 60-million laborers in America will be forced to long slave hours, ultimately, competing with the Asiatic coolie and the European peasant in gathering raw materials and processing them in world-wide competition.

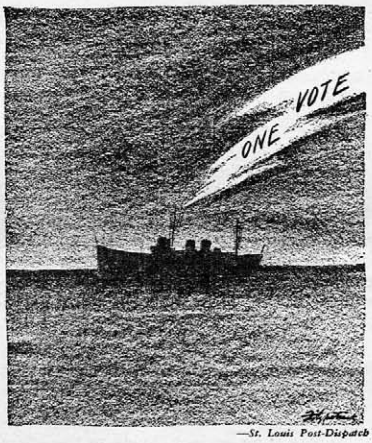
It is the old story of first getting the "camel's nose under the tent." The rest is easy.

We may look for further drastic orders to regiment and coerce the American people, issued by Judge Rosenman in the name of the President.

They will not only *awaken* the American people, they are going *to tie them up in knots!*

The next time the Government orders you to do something, affecting your private life, remember "Sammy the Rose." He calls the shots!

Message to the U. S. S. Potomac



—St. Louis Post-Dispatch

'O.H.I.O.'

SOCIAL JUSTICE, like other magazines and newspapers, is in receipt of scores of letters from selectees and guardsmen and their relatives who are resentful of what they call a "double-cross" extension of the draft.

A National Guardsman who enlisted for one year of service, reports an alarming situation in his camp where the resentment has been spurred by the one-vote margin in Congress by which the double-cross was put over.

He writes: "I am particularly perturbed about the current campaign which has assumed alarming proportions. It is similar to the "V" campaign, and is known as "O.H.I.O." Or, *"Over the Hill in October!"* I suppose it is prevalent elsewhere.

"October is the time when our year is up and a good many of the boys say they are simply going to walk out of the camps! The officers know it and are jittery. Surely a crisis of some kind is coming.

"Maybe scores will be shot in the back by reluctant M.P.s but the boys swear they are going and that they *have been 'double-crossed in Washington'!*

"Don't think we soldiers relish making fools of ourselves by drilling with brooms for guns and stove pipes for cannon, because our equipment has ben sent abroad to supply the army of another nation.

"The politicians in Washington responsible for this shameful condition are not going to get out of their responsibility."

Australian Archbishop on Army Morals

HIS EXCELLENCY the Most Reverend J. B. Simonds, D.D., Archbishop of Hobart, Australia, incorporated in his public address of November 28, 1940, the following comments on army morality.

"I have the unpleasant duty of speaking plainly in criticism of the action of our public authorities in sanctioning a regulation which cannot fail to have a subversive effect on the moral tone of the community.

"It has come as an unpleasant shock to many people to learn that contraceptive devices are regularly issued to the soldiers of the A.I.F. and militia camps of Australia.

"Does the Federal Government, then, accept as a principle the vicious theory that the end justifies the means, no matter how immoral these means may be?

"Under the pretext of protecting the physical health of a relatively small and undisciplined minority, our leaders have chosen the depraved course of handing out to the young men of Australia hundreds of thousands of instruments of immorality. Surely it is not too much to expect that, as they are rightly solicitous for the physical health of the troops, they would be equally solicitous for the moral health of the youth of the country, and would refrain from spending the people's money to provide them with incentives to sin.

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"We cheerfully resign ourselves to the oppressive burden of taxation which is imposed to carry the present war to a victorious issue. But it is a most depressing thing to learn that any of the money wrung from the people, or begged from the poor in war-savings, is allocated for purposes of immorality.

"The religious leaders in the various States are doing their best to maintain the spiritual and moral standards of the men in uniform. Their people have made splendid sacrifices to build, equip, and maintain many church-huts where the spiritual needs of the men can be met, and their recreation taken in a clean and healthy atmosphere.

"The Federal Government has no money with which to assist this fine uplifting work, but it does not scruple to spend the public money to break down the moral standards of the youths whom it invites or conscripts to defend the ideals of the nation. It is little wonder that cynicism so often greets the assertion that we are fighting to uphold the Christian standards of life.

"We Catholics have a clearly-defined principle to guide us in judging this action of the Government. It is a principle given to us by the Holy Spirit through the pen of Saint Paul, who strongly reprobated the theory that we may do evil that some good may result. *(Rom. iii, 8.)* On this principle we must take our stand, even though it should prove to be as unpalatable to modern paganism as Saint Paul's insistence on justice and chastity was to the Roman governor, Felix."

The Doom of an Empire

FIELD MARSHAL Henry Petain's official pronouncement which advertised an alliance between France and Germany dooms the British Empire.

His elevation of anti-British Admiral Darlan and his liquidation of pro-British, pro-Jewish internationalists operating inside his former Cabinet, indicate that the Vichy Government will meet with success in implementing the French program of regeneration.

Although neither advertised nor discussed in America, it is now known in many quarters that both Spain and Portugal are highly sympathetic with Europe's new order, which is generically described as "the United States of Europe" — a United States free from the domination of international Jewry and subversive continental masonry long since subservient to Jewish control.

More than three weeks ago, journalists suspected what was in Field Marshal Petain's mind.

More than two weeks ago, definite word was relayed to Messrs. Roosevelt and Churchill of the impending French pronouncement.

More than one week ago — in perfect synchronization — the newly-formed Japanese anti-British, anti-Jewish government initiated political, military and naval movements aimed at encircling British and American efforts to interfere effectively with the outcome of Hitler's new order.

Thus, history is in the making. A new era is born. The old era of British imperialism which controlled, in great part, the commerce, industry, politics and culture of civilization is doomed.

The world will be cognizant of this when Churchill makes his last retreat, forsaking England to take up residence in Canada.

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The evolution of England from a kingdom into an empire was bounded by the years 802 A. D. to 1588. The first date marks the ascension of King Eggberht to the English throne; the second date is identified with the destruction of the Invincible Armada which marked the end of imperial Spain and enabled Queen Elizabeth's England to expand into an empire.

Meanwhile, Normans, Yorkists and Scotch were crowned kings in Westminster Abbey. These were followed by Tudors, Dutch and German monarchs, while England expanded from a kingdom into an empire whose Union Jack remained unfurled in the never-setting sun.

Prior to Queen Elizabeth's reign, her father, Henry VIII (1509-47), dissolved the religious ties which bound England to the Papacy when, in 1527, he sought a divorce from Catherine of Aragon, the sister of Phillip II of Spain.

By 1534, we find England's Parliament passing the *Act of Succession* which declared Catherine's marriage unlawful and Anne Boleyn's union with Henry VIII as lawful. This *Act* also certified that Elizabeth, daughter of Henry VIII and Anne, to be the lawful successor of her much-married father.

In the same year, 1534, Parliament also passed a new *Act of Treasons and Supremacy* which made it high treason for any subject to call the king a heretic, schismatic, infidel or his children illegitimate. This *Act* declared that the King of England henceforth was to be regarded as the supreme head of the church, and that no Roman Catholic could occupy the throne.

Despite this tyrannical law, history records that Charles II (1669) privately admitted his conversion to the Catholic Church — a conversion strongly suspected by the definitely Protestant Parliament.

To ferret out the King's conscience and drive from public office certain of Charles' appointees, the English Parliament passed the *Test Act* in 1673. It was also hoped by this *Act* to prevent the Duke of York, heir to the throne, from succeeding King Charles, particularly because the Duke was a Roman Catholic.

Incidentally, the *Test Act* compelled all Englishmen who wished to attain public office to declare their disbelief in the doctrine of transubstantiation.

As historians know, neither the *Act of Treasons and Supremacy* nor the *Test Act* have been expurged completely from England's statute books.

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King Charles died on February 6, 1685, duly reconciled with the Roman Catholic Church. Succeeding him on the throne was his son, who took the title of James II.

Openly practicing the Catholic religion, James II resolved to ask Parliament to repeal the *Test Act*, as well as other laws known as the *Recusancy Laws* which punished Catholics for acting on their religious beliefs.

The English Parliament, under James, was definitely opposed to the removal of the *Test Act*, the *Act of Treasons and Supremacy* and the *Recusancy Laws* from the statute books.

Two years later — in 1687 — James planned a compromise in what history refers to as a *Declaration of Indulgence*. The purpose of this *Declaration* was to suspend all laws against both Roman Catholics and dissenters alike, and to give permission to all persons to worship publicly according to their conscience.

This compromise move on the part of King James II proved to be impolitic, as far as many of the upper clergymen were concerned. In 1688, when a second edition of the *Declaration of Indulgence* was published, seven English bishops and many of the clergy refused to promulgate it from their pulpits.

Foolishly or wisely, the King ordered the bishops to trial.

Foolishly or wisely, the judges in Westminster Hall returned a verdict of "Not Guilty" to the charges levied against them.

In this same year, 1688, a son was born to James II. It was evident that the child would be educated in his father's religion. It was evident that England was threatened with a Roman Catholic dynasty.

Thus, on the very day of the seven bishops' acquittal, a group of important English Protestants initiated a rebellion against their Catholic monarch by inviting the Dutch Prince of Orange to land with an armed force to defend the liberties of Protestantism and of England.

And William of Orange, in whose veins there was not one drop of English blood, was accepted by Englishmen as their lawful monarch after James II fled to France to save his conscience and his head.

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At this late date, English Catholics have no quarrel with English Protestants over what transpired nearly 300 years ago, even though the spirit of the *Act of Treasons and Supremacy*, the *Act of Succession* and the *Test Act* still hover over the British House of Parliament, now engaged in campaigning for liberty of conscience throughout the world.

We cite these facts merely to indict the hypocrisy of those who prate of the "four freedoms," which were never identified with the British Empire, particularly from the time of William I who was responsible, in great part, for nursing the infant imperial dynasty cradled by Elizabeth into the gigantic monstrosity which trampled ruthlessly over the civilized world.

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Beginning in 1694 with the establishment of the Bank of England, British imperialism made rapid advance throughout the years, culminating its aggressions and acquisitions with the *Peace Treaty of Versailles* in 1919.

It is noteworthy that, to retain his tottering throne, William of Orange bestowed upon a group of London merchants and money changers the privilege of coining and issuing money through the creation of the Bank of England. These merchants and money changers, in turn, guaranteed to extend a loan to William for him to use in hiring foreign soldiers to sustain his ill-gotten throne against a possible invasion, led by the deposed James, with the aid of France.

Since the establishment of this financial institution, the Empire acquired control of territories on all the continents of this earth.

In Europe we list Ireland, Gibraltar, Malta and Cyprus.

In Asia, we list India, the British Provinces, Aden, Socotra, the Bahrain Islands, Ceylon, British Malaya, the Straits Settlement, Federated Malay States, British North Borneo, Brunei, Sarawak, Hong Kong and Palestine.

In Africa, we list the Union of South Africa, Cape of Good Hope, Natal, the Orange Free State, the Transvaal, Southwest Africa, Basutoland, Bechuanaland, Northern Rhodesia, Southern Rhodesia, Swaziland, Kenya, Uganda, Tanganyika, Nyasaland, Zanzibar, Somaliland, the Cameroons, the Gold Coast, Togoland, Sierra Leone, Gambia, Anglo-Egyptian Soudan.

In North America, we list Canada and all its provinces, Newfoundland and Labrador.

In Central America, we list the British Honduras, together with all the islands of the West Indies.

In South America, we list British Guiana, the Falkland Islands and South Georgia.

In Australasia, we list Australia and all its provinces and territories, together with New Guinea, New Zealand, Western Samoa and Nauru.

In Oceania, we list the Fiji colony, Tonga Island, Gilbert and Ellice Islands, the British Solomon Islands, the New Hebrides.

Forty-seven million inhabitants, at most, resident in England, hold control over more

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One Vote Says They Stay in Camp

IN SPITE of the pressure on Congress from the President and his Cabinet, the Army general staff, and all the influence of British propaganda in this country, the House of Representatives passed the 18 months draft extension by a single vote—203 to 202.

Does anybody believe that a declaration of war for this nation would pass by even that magic margin?

This vote is not reassuring for national unity; nor will it allay the dissension among the selectees over what they are calling the "double-cross in Washington."

As Senator Wheeler says, the vote is "notice to the Administration that they should go slowly in trying further to commit this country to war."

Signally, it marks a breakdown of British propaganda. Their lecturers and journalists have returned to England to report that American audiences "asked too many questions," that they were completely skeptical of the peril to America involved in the British empire's fate.

And an economic service to which we subscribe has this note: "Our own reports indicate that the internal situation in England is as serious as the internal situation in Germany before her collapse in the World War."

No wonder the imperialists want Uncle Sam and Pal Joey to take over from *here on!*

Holy Mass in Smolensk Cathedral

A STONE MASON for 21 years in Smolensk, laid aside his laborer's overalls the other day and, donning his vestments as a priest of the Orthodox Catholic Church, celebrated Holy Mass in the old Russian Cathedral there.

It was the first Catholic service permitted since Stalin's Communists outlawed the Christian religion in the U.S.S.R.

Alvin J. Steinkopf, a former Milwaukee newspaper writer, sent the Associated Press dispatch from Smolensk which describes the event. Some newspapers used it.

From Mr. Steinkopf's excellent account of that occupation, we quote this excerpt:

"This Monday in Smolensk is a great day for Orthodox Catholics, who still are talking about the Mass read yesterday in the white and gold Cathedral on the Hill. The ornate old structure was almost undamaged and it now bristles with signs in German saying that it is '*verboten*' to steal sacred objects.

"The Germans say that yesterday's was the first public Mass Smolensk could remember in the last 21 years."

The Associated Press account continues:

"I saw some hundreds of worshippers, some of their eyes dim as they heard a stone mason read the Mass. That is, he had been a stone mason under Soviet rule; under the Czar, he had been a priest.

"Yesterday, this man, Serge Iwano Luzkyn, laid aside his trowel and resumed the robes of his priesthood.

"A big sign in Russian still on the front of the church describes it as an anti-religious museum!"

Another dispatch, buried by the pro-war newspapers — or omitted entirely as "Nazi propaganda" — relates an official announcement that Germany will rebuild all Christian churches in occupied territory damaged or destroyed by war.

And another comment, elsewhere in this issue, states that the Roosevelt-Churchill declaration omitted any reference to freedom of religion, out of deference to their military ally, the anti-God Stalin and his Communists.

We shall still insist that Pope Pius XI was right and that Catholic Christians will follow his guidance in the matter of collaborating with the Communists, rather than the questionable compromising of a few contemporary pro-war clerics.

War in Hell—a Parable

THE *Congressional Record* (July 31) quotes the following excerpt from the *Christian Century*. Many persons do not like John Haynes Holmes, the author, but what he has to say fits to a nicety the recent activities of Messrs. Roosevelt and Churchill.

He writes:

"The war in heaven had ended with a victory for Michael and his angels; and Satan and all his hosts had been cast into hell.

"But Satan was not content with hell and wanted to get back into heaven again. So he plotted and planned another war. Only he doubted Beelzebub, lest Beelzebub turn against him when he was engaged with Michael and his angels and gain the headship of Hell. So he took Beelzebub into his confidence and talked with him about his purposes and besought his aid. And Beelzebub consented. And behold, Satan and Beelzebub signed a non-aggression pact . . .

"And the war came and raged a year and nine months, and Satan won great victories over Michael. But Beelzebub helped not in the fight, but watched Satan and took advantage of him and profited greatly in his own interest. And Satan distrusted Beelzebub the more, and suspected that he had in Beelzebub a jealous rival, and therefore a foe who would rise against him when he was locked in final combat with Michael.

"So Satan pondered the problem and took counsel with his infernal ministers and captains. And these ministers and captains also did distrust Beelzebub and advised attack upon him, that he be destroyed. Then would Satan be free to fight and destroy Michael and win again his place in heaven. And Satan agreed and turned all his minions against Beelzebub. And Beelzebub marshaled all his deadly hosts against Satan. And there was war in hell . . .

"Now, when Michael saw this he was glad. And he . . . hailed Beelzebub as his brother in arms, and promised him aid and comfort in his battle against Satan. He said he took back nothing of all that he had said against Beelzebub, but, he added, 'We have but one aim and one single irrevocable purpose. We have resolved to destroy Satan . . . Any demon who fights against Satan will have our aid. Any demon who fights with Satan is our foe.' And he sent a celestial commission into hell to confer with Beelzebub and to join hand and heart with him.

"And Michael went to God and told the Most High what he had done. And he said, 'Behold, O God, Beelzebub is now our friend. We beg that he be received among us and be crowned with light and be given Thine own sword. For this is a holy war, and those are holy who fight against our foe.'

"And God laughed!"

On the Red Front

Communists Seat Their Delegates in C.I.O.

DESPITE all the anti-Communist oratory and official pronouncements, culminating in a resolution barring Communist Party members from important union offices, Marxism seems to have won another victory at the U.A.W.-C.I.O. convention in Buffalo, New York.

The vote against Reds holding important union office was far from unanimous — 1,950 to 920, according to newspaper reports. Thus, more than 32 per cent of the delegates were opposed to the Red ban— a sizable minority for any organization that, not long ago, indignantly denied any suspicion of Communist taint.

The most concrete evidence, probably, of continued Communist infiltration and power within the U.A.W. was the seating of the contested Milwaukee delegation from the Allis-Chalmers local.

Ten delegates of the Allis-Chalmers local, headed by Harold Christoffel, who has been exposed as a Communist Party member, were finally seated by the convention after their election as delegates had been denounced as illegal.

A convention committee ordered to conduct a new election reported that Christoffel and his followers had received approximately 1,100 of 1,475 votes cast by the local, which has a membership of about 5,000.

Why fewer than two-fifths of the members bothered to vote and why such an overwhelming majority of those voting chose a disciple of the Communist Party line baffles reason.

Whatever the explanation, the result can only be interpreted as a rebuff to those honestly concerned about the Red menace to American unionism. Either the election was "rigged" as was the notorious strike vote, or union members are still being hoodwinked by Communists and fellow travelers who follow the Moscow line while professing Americanism.

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Manifestly, the influence of the Red element is too great to be shunted aside by any mere declarations of opposition to Marxism.

In the Lew H. Michener case, for example, the U.A.W., in effect, compromised with Communism by adopting the mildest of three proposed measures to punish Michener for conducting the "unauthorized" strike at the North American Aviation Plant in California.

The walkout, which tied up defense airplane production, was denounced as Communist-led by both the Federal Government and by U.A.W. officials themselves. Wyndham Mortimer, union organizer on the West Coast, was suspended by Richard Frankensteen, the U.A.W.'s aircraft director, for his part in precipitating the strike. Michener, West Coast regional director was condemned.

At the Buffalo convention three proposals were submitted as punishment for Michener. One would have expelled him from the union; one would bar him from holding any office in the union; and third would merely deny him the right to seek election to the organization's international executive board. The latter proposal was adopted.

Illustrative of the confusion which marked the convention's ostensible efforts to combat Muscovites and their fellow travelers was Frankensteen's plea not to "crucify" Michener because as a "young man he had made a mistake when he was thrown in with the Communist Party and the likes of people like Mortimer on the West Coast."

Franksteen was ready to "forgive and forget" Michener's co-operation with Reds and the delegates went along with him in this attitude.

On the other hand he flayed Mortimer lustily, declaring that "if Mortimer isn't a Communist — and I don't know that he is — he's cheating them out of dues, because he certainly follows the Communist Party line!"

Previously Mortimer had denied the strike was unauthorized and asserted that Frankensteen himself was "the person most responsible for calling the strike."

Michener, too, spoke in defense of his actions, challenging anyone to prove that he had ever disobeyed orders of his U.A.W. superiors.

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It is a well established principle of Communism to "divide and rule," to create confusion and chaos by splitting opposition forces. Also characteristic of Red strategy is the staging of mock fights between Communist groups, and even, on occasion, the joining of movements dedicated to exposing and expelling Reds.

This could well have been the key to the constant bickering, battling and browbeating at the convention, wherein, to cite another example, fellow traveler Michener berated C.I.O. director Walter Reuther as "that red-headed stooge of Sidney Hillman," also a leftist who purports to fight Communism, as does Reuther.

As was stated earlier in this commentary, Communists and fellow travelers may owe a great deal of their continued success, in the face of some sincere opposition, to their adeptness at concealing their motives and deceiving workers.

Consider the case of Harold Christoffel, who though cited as a Red before two investigating bodies, denies all charges and succeeds in winning a vote of confidence from the Allis-Chalmers local in Milwaukee.

It was Christoffel who led the 75-day strike at the Milwaukee plant, halted production of materials needed by the United States Navy and defied the Government's order to end the walkout. An investigation of the strike vote among the employes revealed that a large portion of the ballots were fraudulent. Confronted with the evidence, a union attorney admitted it.

Two years ago Oliver Kenneth Goff of Delevan, Wis., testified before the Dies Committee on un-American Activities that Christoffel was a member of the Communist Party, the Young Communist League, and a delegate to the Milwaukee conference of the American League Against War and Fascism, an organization which long has been exposed as a Communist front.

Goff confessed his own former membership in the Communist Party, presenting his Party credentials and asserting he had been active in church and Communist-front organizations. He resigned from the Party in 1939 after testifying before the Committee.

Testimony before a committee of the Wisconsin state legislature, by Farrell Schnering, also an admitted ex-Red, previously had linked Christoffel with Communism.

Schnering disclosed that "the Communists used their positions in the C.I.O. to further the mass campaigns of the Communist Party. After acquiring control of the State organization, they had little difficulty in setting up county councils under their patronage.

"Harold Christoffel became president of the largest county council in Milwaukee. They were able to acquire control of the executive board with relative ease.

"They launched an organization drive for the C.I.O. with the Farm Equipment Workers' organizing committee."

If any honest effort is being made by influential C.I.O. officials to rid their ranks of Communists, it is not being supported by the organization's leaders. Resolutions barring Communists from union office may be adopted by the dozen, anti-Communist statements may be handed out to the press periodically from now till Judgment Day, but that will mean nothing as long as Reds can deny their party membership or follow the party line without actually being Communist Party members.

President Philip Murray of the C.I.O. is a Catholic. As a Catholic he cannot, of course, be a Communist, nor may he in conscience co-operate with Communists. Yet he blows hot and cold on the question of Reds in the C.I.O., choosing one day to fight them and the next day to shout "witch hunt!" at those who demand a housecleaning.

If anything further need be cited as evidence that the C.I.O. still has a strong pinkish tinge, and that the Red clean-up emits more than a slight odor of the phony, note the organization's 100 per cent support of Harry Bridges, who couldn't be a more ardent Red if he had written the *Communist Manifesto.*

The Contest Is Over

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British War Aims

Want Help of U.S. To Restore Versailles

THE American people, who are being pushed closer and closer to actual military participation in the war abroad, have not the slightest idea of British war aims, the enormous cost in lives and money that an American war effort would entail, nor the futility of trying to impose permanent peace by restoring the conditions of the *Treaty of Versailles.*

That is the conclusion of John Knox, Ph.B., LL.M., member of the editorial committee of the Chicago Bar Association and former law clerk of the United States Supreme Court.

In an article reprinted recently in the *Congressional Record,* Mr. Knox declares that he has studied carefully every issue of the *London Times* since the beginning of the war and that the statements contained in London's principal newspaper leaves no doubt that Britain's aim is to re-establish the *status quo* as of 1938 — the very situation which bred the present conflict!

"I need not pause to discuss whether the *London Times* represents the official British point of view in its columns," he writes. "All would admit that no publication in the British Empire so represents the official viewpoint of the government. The *Times* is the voice of England. Its columns of law reports are cited in the courts as authority. Its editorial columns represent the voice of 10 Downing Street."

Then, through the columns of the *Times,* Knox traces the progress of the war from September, 1939, to May, 1941, during which period British war aims were revealed clearly in published statements by British officials and editorials by the *Times* editors.

Besides restoration of nations conquered by the Nazis the British have been striving intensely to "interest" the United States in the war "as soon as possible," the writer shows.

A new "League of Nations," placing the entire war responsibility upon Germany and saddling the German people with the cost of rebuilding Europe after the war are the other immediate major British aims, he discloses.

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This is not generally known in America. Despite the fact that the United States is financing Britain's war, supplying her with all the implements of war, and edging closer to a fighting partnership with the British Empire — British statesmen who beg for American aid refuse to tell the American people their true objective.

We are blindly following the British lead, trusting in its wisdom and righteousness — two attributes that were sadly lacking at Versailles and the ensuing post-war years.

The only war aims we hear about in America, Mr. Knox says, are such high-sounding phrases as "ridding Europe of the menace of Naziism," but nothing more definite than that is stated.

"When I was at Harvard studying law we had to state reasons concretely and not deal in generalities. When I go into court these days I have to do the same. Our interventionists, who deal only in generalities and fine words, would have been 'washed out' of Harvard after the first semester for not getting down to the heart of the problem."

The Chicagoan affirms his sympathy with England and his "total disagreement" with the Axis powers, declaring he favors aid to Britain short of war—but no further.

Convinced, on the basis of opinions of "our foremost military experts," that the United States is capable of repelling any invader, Knox believes with millions of other Americans that U. S. participation in the war would find this country fighting not for freedom, but "to save once again the British Empire, thereby saving certain economic benefits for ourselves."

In view of Britain's reverses to date, victory could not be won, he declares, without the dispatch of a huge American expeditionary force.

"Moreover," he continues, "even if this country drained itself of men and money in order that these aims might be realized, there would result only a substantial re-establishment of the European *status quo* as of 1938. Nothing fundamental would have been solved, and we would have spent our resources abroad in order merely to reaffirm the boundary lines laid down by the *Versailles Treaty.*"

Thus, while Americans are kept in the dark regarding Britain's post-war plans, and many are lulled into agreement with the interventionists by the vague generalities of British propaganda, British leaders are prepared to impose another vindicative treaty on Germany that will invite a repetition of events leading up to the present war.

Both the *Times* and British government spokesmen have vowed repeatedly that European national boundaries as they existed prior to Hitler's conquests must be "restored." That, of course, embraces the re-establishment of various artificial "democracies" and synthetic nationalities made up of peoples of divergent languages, moods, customs, religions and nationalities. Presumably, it also means subjugating Germany completely, denying her a rightful place among the family of nations, and making certain, above all, that Germany does not ever again challenge England's commercial supremacy.

Evidence that Britain again intends to exact reparations from Germany is present in a *Times* editorial of November 8, 1939:

"We have learned, he said (Lord Halifax, now British ambassador to the United States), that there can be no opportunity for Europe to cultivate the arts of peace until Germany is brought to realize that recurrent acts of aggression will not be tolerated—and, he might have added, will in no case be allowed to benefit the perpetrator. For that reason it is all-important that the damage successively wrought by Germany upon her weaker neighbors shall be repaired so far as they are reparable after the havoc of the war."

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The idea of new "League of Nations," now being pushed forward along with the scheme for union between Great Britain and America, is set forth in a *Times* editorial of January 1, 1940:

"Beyond question the ultimate task that awaits the nations, neutral and belligerent alike, *after the immediate injustices have been set right,* is the building up of a new international system capable of succeeding where the League of Nations has failed and of preventing the acts of injustice and violence that gave rise to the war."

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Returning to a discussion of Britain's War Aim No. 3, namely, to involve the United States in the conflict, Mr. Knox points out that throughout the Winter of 1940 the *Times* had not devoted much space to the subject.

But, he continues, "a strange thing happened, as soon as Britain realized the seriousness of the Norwegian struggle. The engine of propaganda was suddenly turned toward America, and much attention was paid to War Aim No. 3—Let's get America interested in this war as soon as possible.

"It was still the month of April, 1940. The *Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies* was not formed in this country until May, 1940. On April 15 the *Times* did an almost unheard of thing by publishing on its editorial page a message from an unknown American citizen."

It was a cable signed by a Harold A. Trocomb of Farmington, Maine, who praised the Royal Navy and described himself as a "darned pro-British Yankee."

Mr. Knox observes that long articles about the United States began appearing in the *Times* thereafter. "Isolationism was first considered in an entire column on the editorial page, which column continued onto the succeeding page. It was said, in part:

" 'The American people as a whole do not want to become involved in the war; once bitten, twice shy, is the prevailing temper . . . Some highly placed personages and influential thinkers are doubtless aware that the character of the war may change in such a way as to make American participation desirable in her own self-interest . . . There is ample room for the enlightenment of America.

" 'What could be done to enlighten American opinion? The main step has in a sense been taken, in that the leaders of American thought are realizing their country's lack of knowledge, or at any rate of clarified thinking, on the war and after-war problems, and the danger of such a situation for its future. Bodies like the Federal Council of Churches, League of Nations Association, Federal Union, Carnegie Peace Foundation, and Foreign Policy Association are already campaigning to bring out the issues and to demonstrate the need for coming to definite conclusions on them.

" 'Visiting Englishmen can play their part, whether as exchange professors or public lecturers, but their influence will be greater if they are not self-invited guests.' "

Thus the *Times* on April 15, 1940, pointed the way for the flood of British war propaganda which has inundated reason in the United States to such an extent American entrance into the war is now almost inevitable. We are being "enlightened" by the British.

While the *Times* recognized that American public opinion was unalterably opposed to sending another fighting force to Europe, it obviously held high hopes that this opposition would be overcome and the Americans could be won over to the interventionist cause.

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On June 15, 1940, the *Times* said: "However great the loss of French territory, and of French and British lives in defending it, the reserves in this island will remain great, and those of the Empire and the American continent inexhaustible."

Three days later this confidence was restated in the following words: " . . . we possess now, what we did not enjoy in 1806, not only the strong cooperation of an empire grown to manhood, but the promise of full assistance from the boundless resources of the United States."

In the period from July, 1940, to May, 1941, War Aim No. 3—getting the United States involved in the war—gradually became Britain's most important objective, Mr. Knox asserts.

"England was not holding her own," he points out, "but was being slowly but surely reduced to desperation. Shipping losses had increased to an appalling figure. English diplomacy in the Balkans had been a failure, and, finally, the Greek fiasco resulting in a second Dunkirk had struck a serious blow to the Empire. The one hope lay in America. That hope was developed to the utmost, and English efforts also met with the warmest official response from the United States. War Aim No. 3 was apparently a great success. Federal Union and a proposed new flag for America became the ultimate goals of Aim No. 3. Gradually and yet almost imperceptibly the United States was being led into the conflict by an articulate minority against the wishes of a confused majority."

At present, events are happening so rapidly that the third stage of the war—active participation by the United States, with men as well as materials—looms immediately ahead.

"To prevent this third step from becoming a reality," the writer concludes, "should be the aim of every American who loves his country and all that it stands for.

"This is not our war. It was not of our making. It will not be the last European conflict.

"We have not gone so far into it that we cannot turn back. *Beware of the noisy minority!* Paul Revere must ride again!"

German War Finances

WHEN THE $3,500,000,000 tax was passed by Congress recently, some persons were inclined to grumble because of the added burden imposed upon them.

The trouble with the $3,500,000,000 tax is that it should have been a $10-billion tax!

By this we mean that Congress should have lowered the brackets of taxation so that every factory worker and farm hand would have been included, thereby having the war brought home to him by the best possible concrete lesson.

As it is, Congress will find it necessary, before this war is over, to impose at least another $50-billion tax upon us; over and above the taxes that already have been legislated.

And, what does this mean?

It means that with our present $86-billion national income, more than 50 per cent of the ordinary laborer's earnings will be confiscated, either through consumer's tax or through tax to save the British Empire, the British pound sterling and the Federal Reserve Bank notes, together with the New Deal Government which is supporting all of them.

And, then, even that will not be enough!

Mr. Leon Henderson speaks of inflation, of price control.

Mr. Bernard Baruch is reported to have a plan to harness the war-time upswing of the cost of living.

How can any "plan" be efficient when the Government persists in borrowing billions of dollars from a private corporation (the Federal Reserve Bank) which has no real Government money to lend, and pledging to this corporation that the citizens of the country will redeem the notes — created by the stroke of a pen — with money created by sweat of the brow.

Under our system of Jewish international capitalism, we propose to pay back, through the process of taxation, every dollar borrowed.

It simply cannot be done on any $100-billion a year national income and retain any semblance of our present standard of living.

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Years ago, Father Coughlin predicted that if the civilized world did not get rid of its private issuance of money racket and adopt a system of issuing money against the wealth the nation and its productivity, the United States of America would be forced to step down to the European standard of living.

And that is exactly what is happening.

Bigger and better taxation is the order of the day.

Less and less actual income is the order of the day.

Instead of working for ourselves, our families and our dependents, we will find ourselves working to sustain a State and a Government mortgaged to the hilt to the international bankers!

No matter who wins the war, the Americans will lose.

They will lose their profit system.

They will lose their standard of living.

They will lose their initiative.

They will lose their personalities which will be merged into a financial totalitarianism.

On the other hand, while our financial system is getting worse and worse as it is dragging all of us into the gutter, Germany — devoid of gold and international bankers — seems to be growing stronger and stronger financially.

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Here is a *Chicago Tribune* press service article dated August 5th:

"Germany expects total tax returns for the tax year 1941 to exceed last year's receipts by more than 30 billion reichmarks. (The reichmark is valued at about 40 cents and that increase would be about 12 billion dollars.)

"Authorized German financial circles are confident that 'the finances of the Reich will remain in the best possible order regardless of how long the war lasts.'

"Secretary of State Fritz Reinhardt has denied that there is any truth in Berlin rumors that the government is envisaging a 'general property levy' for war financing.

"Reports that savings bank accounts may be seized for the same end were termed 'ridiculous,' although it was admitted that the savings bank 'naturally invests a part of its liquid assets in government bonds.'

"Every small investor is being told that 'there is no safer investment than a savings bank acount.' With an eye to what happened after the last World War, Nazi financial authorities are emphasizing that the owner of a savings bank account 'will lose none of his savings, either during or after the war.'

"It was announced that there will be no war surtax on present income taxes nor will there be any increase in the inheritance tax rates now in force.

"Figures for the first quarter of the tax year 1941 disclose that the State now has a new source of income. From April 1 to June 30 so-called surplus profits total no less than 36,600,000 reichmarks. This means that individuals and firms engaged in the war production now are turning over excess profits to the government.

"Laws against the holding of money are being strictly enforced."

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We recollect, as printed in SOCIAL JUSTICE that Marriner Eccles, the chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve Bank, was forced to admit before a congressional committee that the Nazi system of finance was superior to ours because money, under the Third Reich, was predicated against the wealth of the nation and its productivity.

He tacitly admitted that money in the United States was predicated against a buried hoard of gold and its debt — not our wealth.

Wake up, America!

They who were "crack-pots" ten years ago are laughing at the present crack-pots who are cracking up this nation as they persist in clinging to the internationalist system of finance.

Who Writes the Bills?

THE *Saturday Evening Post* (July 19) says editorially that the United States Senate does not know who writes many of the bills presented before that body. For example, it is a mystery who wrote the *Lend-Lease law*.

The editorial adds:

"Recently in the Senate there was an hour of painful debate on why certain columnists were apparently better informed on the foreign policies of the Government and about the intentions of the President than United States Senators. Spreading one such column on the record, Senator Wheeler said: 'Some of these columnists get from the War Department, from the Navy Department and from the State Department information which no Senator and no member of the House of Representatives is permitted to have.'"

It is evident that Congressmen in both Houses are subjected to a pressure unknown to the American public.

While sent to represent the people, 97 per cent of whom do not want war, Congress shows signs of representing a small minority; shows indications of being persuaded to act under pressure from labor.

Father Coughlin Told You

He Cited the Causes of This War 10 Years Ago!

HAVE YOU forgotten the *Peace Treaty of Versailles?*

Have you forgotten what Father Coughlin said about it more than ten years ago?

This is the *"Peace" Treaty* which, according to Clemenceau—its master mind—was to be responsible for "fifteen more wars," including the present world war.

This is the *Peace Treaty* imposed upon Germany by generous Great Britain, by the perfidious subversives who then dominated France, and by the spineless Woodrow Wilson who did not know enough to stay home in the first place, or to stand by his Fourteen Points when he arrived in Europe.

Read what Father Coughlin broadcast more than ten years ago.

Some will remember the difficulties experienced by the Radio Priest in delivering this broadcast. One week before its actual delivery, he received an unexpected telephone message from an officer of the Columbia Broadcasting System who informed the radiorator that he *could not deliver the speech prepared for the morrow.*

Father Coughlin asked this official of the Columbia Broadcasting System if he knew what had been written into the speech and why such a mandatory message was being given him in a land where there is supposed to be freedom of expression.

As a result, Father Coughlin did not deliver the prepared speech that Sunday. Instead, he gave an extemporaneous talk on freedom of speech, concluding his remarks with an appeal to the audience for letters to sustain him.

As a result, millions—literally millions of letters—poured into Father Coughlin's office that week from every section of America.

Under this pressure the Columbia Broadcasting System weakened. Then, one week later, on Sunday, January 11, 1931, Father Coughlin delivered the speech about the *Peace Treaty of Versailles,* hoping that the American people would see some of its iniquities and guard themselves against being embroiled in the world war that it was breeding.

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Here, in part, is what Father Coughlin said:

"This evening it is my privilege to invite you to consider a new aspect of both national and international depression; an aspect which has had more to do with our national depression and unemployment than has had any other human cause.

"It dates back to the year 1919. The scene is the Hall of Mirrors at Versailles, France. The actors are the representatives of the nations of the world. Germany and Austria are the principal villains. Clemenceau and his associates wield the sword of justice.

"The plot which is fresh in their memories and in their experience is laid in war-torn Europe. Visualize it, if you can: scarred and torn and wrecked, scarcely nothing left but the gaunt corpses of crops and homes and factories! As you pass in panoramic view over the fields of wind-blown poppies or down the white aisles of ghostly crosses, your mind is numbed when confronted with the ruin of the Great War upon whose altars so many millions of human lives had been offered up, for what foolish purpose no man knows.

"Yet no human beings comprehend those facts half so well as do those who sit in judgment in the Hall of Mirrors. Of one thing they are certain: They know all Europe must begin this new post-war period in dire poverty and burdened with incalculable debts. They know reserve capital is a thing of the past. And more than that, they know you cannot bleed blood out of a barren stone.

"Thus, these plenipotentiaries convene to carry on their so-called negotiations. Days and weeks of discussion are spent. New colonies and territories, by a stroke of the pen, are contributed to England. New divisions of Europe are parcelled out, irrespective either of national or lingual boundaries. To climax the tragedy of this so-called *"Peace" Treaty of Versailles* where God's name was not permitted to be mentioned; where Christ's charity and forgiveness were regarded as impractical, a fine of $33-billion in gold to be paid within thirty-seven years is imposed upon an enemy with a hope of crushing her financially despite the fact that her purse is empty and that her heart conceives no honest notion of endeavoring to meet the impossible demands of this tragic *Treaty of Versailles.*

"Thirty-three billion gold dollars! Think of it for a moment. It is a stupendous amount of wealth. There was not that much commercial gold in all the world. But what of that? Let the bankers get $33-billion gold from Germany, even though she has no gold!

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"In the year 1921, in the New Haven address which former Secretary Hughes delivered, we discover the birth of this novel philosophy of international settlements. Let the banker and not the statesman work out the settlement of peace! Thus, from that moment on we have been exhorted to leave the settlement of foreign problems to the economic experts and to the international bankers.

"We have been asked to shelve our lawfully elected Senators and Congressmen, as if bankers, as a rule, care more for the welfare of the mass of population than do our upright political representatives.

"You are aware of those historic days which witnessed the departure of the new type of ambassadors of finance to Europe to settle the world's problems. You are aware, too, of the volcano upon which were sitting Germany, Russia, Italy and Turkey on the one hand as opposed to France and England and the League of Nations on the other.

"These un-elected ambassadors of finance departed from America to Europe. On arrival they began with the mistake of accepting as a working principle the honesty and the validity of the *Treaty of Versailles.*

"Instead of inquiring if political re-adjustments should be made; instead of asking if the findings of the *Treaty* were based upon justice, were contrary to the psychology of human nature, were freely entered into by both parties of the contract, what do we find them doing?

"We find them clinging to the principle that all adjustments could be made by the yardstick of gold dollars.

"Assuming then that there were no political wrongs in the so-called *Peace Treaty,* 'they have proceeded,' to quote the Honorable Louis McFadden, 'to crystallize the blood money of a vast war tribute into billions of dollars of bonds which they have brought home with them to America and offered them for sale to the American people with the assurance that Europe's political troubles had been healed by their masterly statesmanship and, incidentally, that the bonds were an excellent investment for the American purchaser.'

"Thus, since the year 1919, we, the American people, were led to believe that the *Peace Treaty of Versailles* actually made peace, whereas it did little more than perpetuate hostility. We were led to believe that Victory had been achieved only to find that unrest had been born.

"To quote further the Honorable Louis McFadden, 'the fact that the London ultimatum provided that $12-billion in reparation bonds were to be immediately commercialized; and the suggestion that the settlement in Europe be left to eminent American financiers, which followed this commercialization, did not even attract the slightest attention of the American public, as a catastrophe happened and that catastrophe witnessed our sovereignty passing out of our hands into the unholy hands of the international banker.

"Now, in the meantime, Germany had no stomach for this commercialization of bonds. It has been her argument that the preliminary agreement of the Armistice which brought hostilities to a close in 1918 had solidly incorporated in it (in terms guaranteed, I repeat, by international law) that there were to be no punitive damages. Bear in mind, ladies and gentlemen, that Germany did not surrender in November of 1918. On the contrary, as we all know, she entered into an Armistice fully protected by the legality of international law.

"And one phase of that international law stated that no punitive damage be exacted of her.

"Thus, it is her argument that the *Treaty of Versailles* paid no heed to this preliminary and legal agreement. And what has been the result? From 1919 until 1924 no co-operation came from Germany in the matter of the sale of these blood bonds because punitive measures had been adopted at Versailles contrary to international law. But in 1925 on board a small vessel named the *Orange Blossom,* floating serenely on the waters of Lake Locarno, Stresseman, the Minister of Foreign Affairs for Germany, and Briand, for France, made 'peace,' as they called it, between their countries.

"Germany's unwillingness to pay the $33-billion in gold then became dissipated in the minds of all possible investors both in America and abroad because of the importance which our newspapers, in many instances, attached to this empty travesty enacted between Stresseman and Briand, and later on by the League of Nations

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opening her arms to her erstwhile enemy, Germany.

"Shortly afterwards in a little rustic tavern at Thoiry, in the Vosges Mountains, Mr. Stresseman for Germany and Mr. Briand for France once more met. They agreed this time that bonds should be sold outside Europe and that Germany should, for its co-operation, receive one-third of the money thus obtained.

"Ladies and gentlemen, these are historic facts that you cannot deny.

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"To continue with the story: In 1927 Mr. Poincare of France openly advocated that the secret agreement made at the Thoiry Tavern be made known. Thus, in 1928 the powers of the World met at Geneva in Switzerland for the final and complete settlement of the reparation question. And behold! The result of the Geneva Conference was the appointment of a committee of *more financial experts* to handle the situation of peddling bonds throughout the world. Here, then, is the birth of the Young Reparation Committee!

"The mountain of the Geneva Conference groaned and, as history has proven, it brought forth a mouse!

"Meanwhile, preparations had been made in America for the purchase of these blood bonds. The borrowing rate of money became surprisingly low in our Federal Reserve Banks. Credit was given to every Tom, Dick and Harry until playing the stock market became as popular as playing bridge. Millions upon millions of dollars of stocks were bought on margin. Hundreds of millions of dollars of German bonds were sold at a price better than $90 each to hundreds of banks.

"But suddenly, Mr. Stresseman, of Germany, passed out of the picture of German politics. The agreement made at Locarno and Thoiry tavern became discredited in France. Simultaneously with the collapse of Mr. Stresseman's policy of selling bonds (which in their hearts most of the Germans never had any intention of honoring), came the depression in the United States. Why? Because the price of these bonds fell from $91 to $68.

"The cat was out of the bag and left behind it the bones of the Geneva Conference mouse.

"The banks which invested in these bonds feverishly called their loans made to speculative individuals to protect their bond purchases. The market crashed! Those who had bought on margin were ruined! Depression was with us but the banks for the most part were saved.

"Whether or not we are in accord with the *Treaty of Versailles*, we are forced to admit that its manipulation by international bankers failed to produce either peace in Europe or prosperity in America. As a matter of fact, one of the basic principles of international law, I repeat, had been treated as a scrap of paper at this *"Peace" Treaty*, which ran true to its form from beginning to end by keeping the principles as well as the Name of Jesus Christ outside the Hall of Mirrors.

"Now, perhaps, ladies and gentlemen, you begin to understand why enormous sums of money have been exported from this country abroad, especially to the national banks of allied governments whose policies have been identified with the *Treaty of Versailles*. Perhaps you begin to see why the opinion gained ground in Germany that these bonds would never be honored. And why this opinion had something to do with the crash of the stock market, which had been artificially inflated to secure the money poured abroad.

"Perhaps, above all else, these facts offer you some explanation why there is so much anxiety in certain quarters for us to join the World Court of the League of Nations with France and England against Germany and Italy with the hope to save some of the billions invested by our international financiers in the blood bonds born of an unjust *Treaty*.

"If, in 1914, Germany regarded the sanctity of Belgian territory no better than a 'scrap of paper,' that was no argument why in 1919 the Great Powers should look upon the International Law of Armistice as a second 'scrap of paper.'

"During the past few years it has become a rather popular journalistic sport to belittle our Congressmen and sneer at our Senators, although they have been the choice of our people. And perhaps, God alone knows, that this sneering propaganda has been instituted so that un-elected and selfish financiers can handle the international negotiations of our nation instead of the more capable and upright men whom we as conscientious citizens have elected to guide the ship of our political destiny.

"It is about time, my friends, that the reins of management be rescued from the hands of private individuals and passed into the hands of our duly elected Government.

"Judging from the foregoing incidents, the unrest of Europe and the industrial distress of the world are traceable, in great part, to the illegitimate cradle of the Treaty of Versailles, which only made a mockery of peace. It wrecked corporation after corporation; it emptied thousands of purses and bank accounts; it weakened many capitalists and paralyzed millions of the middle class, thus directly affecting the laboring man, who had no reserve capital to see himself through the crisis which was brought on by the desire of a certain few to worship at the altars of the international calf of gold and play financial politics at the expense of a world's misery."

Who's '666'?

DISAVOWING any proclivity for numerology, witchcraft or pyramid-reading, nevertheless, we are timid enough to quote the 18th verse of the 13th chapter of the *Apocalypse* (Protestants call it the *"Book of Revelations"*) which reads:

"Here is wisdom. He that hath understanding, let him count the number of the beast. For it is the number of a man: and the number of him is 666."

From the beginning of Christianity, Antichrist was identified as number 666.

According to the *Catholic Encyclopedia Dictionary*, "Antichrist will be an individual human personality, marked by utter lawlessness, self-deification, hatred of Christian truth, and rivalry with Christ through mock miracles."

Zowie!

Is it utter lawlessness to throw the *Constitution* in the Potomac with lead weights on its feet?

Is it self-deification, in a Republic, for an individual to pack the Supreme Court and to supersede Congress and the will of 80 per cent of the people who do not want war?

Is it hatred of Christian truth to shake the bloody hand of Joey Stalin and cooperate with Communism "in any manner whatsoever"?

And is it "rivalry with Christ" to burn crops, to murder pigs, and to multiply bread for the one-third undernourished, underprivileged by doing things backwards?

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Through the ages, wish-thinkers, "guesstimators" and others have indulged in applying the apocalyptic 666 to an individual.

Some early Christians made the application to Nero.

In the Middle Ages, some Protestants made it to the Pope.

Not to be outdone, certain mediaeval Catholics fitted the number "666" to Calvin.

At a later date, Lord Macauley identified "666" with the British House of Commons.

In our own day Mr. M. V. Hay takes "666" to mean Adolf Hitler.

Here is how Hay's numerology worked: He instructs us to let the alphabetical letter "A" equal the number 100. On that basis "H" equals 107; "I" equals 108; "T" equals 119; "L" equals 111; "E" equals 104; and "R" equals 117.

Mr. M. V. Hay, adding up all these numbers on his little mental Burrough's machine, arrives at the total of 666!

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Not to be outdone, we suggest that you take the well-known letters F.L.R. — "L" being more correct (?) than "D."

We know "F" stands for Franklin. We know "R" stands for Roosevelt. But the middle initial — "D" — could well surrender to "L."

How come, you ask?

Well, the popular "D" for Delano rates, in some quarters, only a small "d" and a capital "L." In fact, the word in these quarters is spelled "de Lano."

Now, then, "F" is the sixth letter.

Keep on going from "F" — six letters more and you come to "L."

Keep on going from "L" six letters more and you come to "R."

Therefore, F.L.R. equals 666!

The office copyboy, having a numerological proclivity, started fooling around with the alphabet. Before he stopped he had Bishop Hurley and Monsignor John A. Ryan all covered up with sixes — on the basis of six of one and a half-dozen of the other!

Who is Antichrist?

Cardinal Newman, taking the numbers '37 as representing the birth year of Queen Victoria and the number 18 representing her age at the time he wrote, multiplied the two together and got 666.

An eminent Frenchman letting "A" equal 10 and "B" equal 11, etc., etc., figured out that Winston Churchill, Anthony Eden and Hore Belisha were the triple Antichrist.

It's lots of fun — this new parlor game.

At any rate, we have their numbers!

Comment

What British Catholics Think of Russian Pact

WHILE accepting the fact of Britain's alliance with Soviet Russia, the British Catholic press bravely speaks out its mind on the subject.

Following is a compendium of British Catholic thought:

The Catholic Herald, speaking solely for itself, says:

"(1) We have a moral right to welcome Russian military aid and to make it as effective as possible, while remaining on our guard against its dangers.

"(2) Such aid weakens considerably any pretence that we are fighting for a Christian Europe as such, because there can be no compatibility between such an exalted end and the ends of a strong and inevitably influential 'partner,' likely to be backed by a good many sympathizers at home.

"(3) The obvious dangers can best be resisted by individuals in the Allied countries doing all they can to raise our actual end (which is self-defense and resistance to a criminally aggressive enemy) to a positively Christian one in fact and deed, and not in mere name for propaganda purposes which have become out of date."

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The Catholic Times — "We cannot conclude that Russia's cause is our cause . . . as far as we are concerned Germany is not fighting on two fronts, she is fighting two wars . . Russia may be the enemy of our enemy. She is also the enemy of our cause."

The Universe — "So far as Moscow is concerned the Soviet policy has been entirely cynical . . . the Soviets have inflicted no less brutality and injustice than the Nazis. But the very survival of the Soviet regime is now directly menaced. Revolutionary atheism in Moscow may yet give place to such a revival of Christian Russia as may shatter the Red tyranny . . ."

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The Tablet — "The fact that the Moscow government has been attacked has not changed its character in the least, nor are its members suddenly more reliable

"Stalin's outlook and policy are quite irreconcilable with the ideals of liberty and civilized order . . and there can be no question of any alliance . . We must keep rigidly to the military common object, and have nothing to do with any temptations to pretend that what divides us from the Soviet government is a less profound and unbridgeable gulf than it is

"Because Russia is far away, and because Britain has had no taste of Red revolution, we too commonly underestimate the Continental dread of militant Communism. From Turkey to Scandinavia and Spain, the same feeling is alive, so that even peoples who have no love at all for Germans, consider German overlordship the lesser evil . . There has been enough revolutionary cruelty in Europe, from the days of Bela Kun in Hungary to the orgies of proletarian murdering in Spain, for this fear to be as real in Europe today, and as important in its effects on policy, as was the reign of terror in France upon English opinion for a generation after 1793 . . ."

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The entry of Soviet Russia into the war creates for England, and those fighting with her, a situation both complex and highly dangerous, says the ***Weekly Review*** (incorporating *G.K.'s Weekly*, and including among its directors Mr. Hilaire Belloc) in a leading article.

"The Prime Minister declared that 'we shall give whatever help we can to Russia and the Russian people,' but pronounced himself to be a persistent opponent of Communism," the writer goes on. "In so far as his words and, no doubt, his intentions go, Mr. Churchill's statement is unexceptionable. Millions of Russians detest the Communist regime imposed upon them, and if it were merely a question of assisting these millions . . . nothing could be said, except perhaps strategically, against helping them.

"But the situation is much more complex than that. To begin with, if we fight on the side of the Soviet (and it is the Soviet that rules Russia) we shall, in spite of protestations to the contrary, be branded as supporters of Communism, with all that that means in the world.

"This critical situation is rendered still more dangerous owing to the widespread ignorance amongst Englishmen of what Communism means and what it has done. If we help 'Russia' today, we cannot avoid helping, and risking the presence in our own midst of, the men that order these things. It is, however, true that the numerous Russians who detest Communism may well take this opportunity of helping themselves and then, perhaps, we may be able to give them some assistance."

Archbishop Beckman and 'The Southern Cross'

THE *Southern Cross* is the official organ of the Catholic diocese of San Diego, California, over which presides Bishop Charles F. Buddy.

The editors of the *Southern Cross* said:

"Archbishop Beckman spoke with the voice of more than 80 per cent of Americans last Sunday evening. Ruthlessly he knocked the props from under the false front that has been built up around the issues of the day. What he revealed has long been known to the greater part of the nation and could have been known to the rest if gullibility was not so widespread a disease.

"On Saturday evening Wendell Willkie spoke in San Francisco. A major theme in his talk was the excusing of Stalin and a justification of aid to Russia. Seldom is it given to one to hear so much sophistry in so short a time as Mr. Willkie gave to the people of San Francisco in his broadcast. It recalled the story of the very liberal theologian who said that the Bible is the word of God and *is prejudiced against the devil*. Therefore, we should suspend judgment until we get the devil's side of the story

"Both Archbishop Beckman and Mr. Willkie are prominent Americans. Both love our nation and both are intensely interested in its continued welfare. Just there they part company.

"The Archbishop speaks as a man of peace who understands the dynamic nature of peace. His principles have stood the test of ages and in them there is found no flaw. His reasoning is the logic of a cool, clear, well-balanced, trained mind. Being an Archbishop he is logically 'prejudiced against the devil' and all the works of the devil. A young priest who escaped from devastated Poland said that every German soldier has a devil and that every Russian soldier has 20 devils. The Archbishop maintains that it is a good idea to let the devils fight it out, and we have the authority of Christ Himself that a kingdom divided against itself shall fall.

"Judging by the record Mr. Willkie sometimes juggles his principles. His motivating principle, at least on last Saturday, was expediency and business prospects. It was impossible for him to defend Stalin so he built a whited-sepulchre around him. No matter how much we hate Communism, he said in effect, we must now ally ourselves with it for the defense of democracy.

"How can we condemn broken pledges, violated promises, foresworn oaths and unhonored words half way across the globe when the same course of action is advocated at home?

"As the chief spokesman of intervention Mr. Willkie has only offered us stark opportunism, greedy materialism and the abandonment of the spiritual ideals and principles that have preserved the unity and integrity of the nation since its birth.

"The Holy Father has said *'in war all is lost. In peace nothing is lost.'* Following the earnest, sincere advice of Archbishop Beckman, we shall remain a powerful, unenslaved nation where the number of our freedoms shall include a fifth — freedom from the slimy clutch of slogans that put scales on the eyes and distort patriotic American vision."

Tolerance and Courage

THE *Jewish Criterion* (Aug. 8) prints a syndicated feature by Phineas J. Biron entitled, *"Strictly Confidential"* which casts aspersions on the *Tablet*, official diocesan publication of the Catholic Bishop of Brooklyn, New York.

Says Biron: "Why is the National Gentile League permitted to function, when everybody knows that it has been subsidized by pro-Nazi elements? . . And we also wonder why the responsible Catholic leadership in this country doesn't disown *The Tablet*, the official Brooklyn Catholic diocesan paper . . . Just to show what we mean, we'll quote a tasty morsel from a recent issue of *The Tablet:* 'The Jews and their Gentile lackeys and dupes have formed tolerance committees.' "

So it is a "tasty morsel" when a courageous Christian publication prints a fact which everybody knows; namely, that so-called "tolerance committees" are set up by Jews with the names of "professional Catholics" prominently featured on these committees.

Frankly, we do not think it is a journalistic exaggeration to characterize these willing "fronts" as "lackeys and dupes."

It is an insult to the Catholic Bishop of Brooklyn for the *Jewish Criterion* to call upon "responsible Catholic leadership" to suppress him. This is not an attack upon the Brooklyn *Tablet* — it is an insult to Catholic Christians!

The Brooklyn *Tablet*, under the scholarly Christian editorship of Dr. Patrick Scanlan, has nothing to fear from the *Criterion* of his Jewish critics; if the *Tablet* is ever praised by these un-American publications, then it will be in danger.

Comment

A Letter to the President—No. 4

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

As day lengthened into day and no word came from you, supposedly aboard the Presidential yacht *Potomac* for an unexplained cruise at sea, the people of the nation became worried about you.

In the absence of official explanation, speculation grew into rumors of the most exaggerated sort. That is, we know, one of the worst evils of censorship: suppression of facts invariably gives rise to speculations that are, in their effect, much worse than the calm and honest facing of any facts, however serious.

First of all, we heard that you were "with Churchill"—not that that was any "news." We have pretty well known that all along. Then, they said that Germany's Mystery Man Hess was with the two of you —and that simply let down the bars for any kind of guessing. Then, the newspapers —always right on the job to theorize about an unsolved mystery — reported that Jo Stalin had been unexplainedly missing and that, possibly, he, too, had joined your cruise.

But, as we say, it was all quite "inside the lodge" and the uninitiated were not privy to your international consistory — so all they had to do was guess and talk with their neighbors, each of whom had a wilder guess. The result was not so much fear, Mr. President, as confusion and mystification, and a feeling of sodden helplessness that turned, in many cases, into resentment and skepticism.

Thus, was further divided and estranged a people who ought to be united about something, even if it be preparation for future aggression under the guise of national defense.

For you know what sort of rodent *cliques* get in their best blows under cover of a people's confusion and anger.

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Now, the American people like to go fishing and they delight to be entertained by fish stories. Had you just told them you were "goin' fishin'," our people would not have worried nearly so much.

They know and admire your prowess as a Navy man and as a nautical sportsman who knows how to handle any situation on the briny deep.

True, few of us are prone to believe the accounts of fishermen with respect to their own catches.

Then, too, perhaps it is just as well this way: had you gone fishing in a most critical moment of the world's history, they just might have compared you with Nero who fiddled while Rome burned.

On the other hand, had we known beforehand that you and your aides were going to a *rendezvous* with Mr. Churchill of Great Britain, we would have had real cause for concern!

We knew, as did you, the many promises by which you are already committed to the American people; and we knew how embarrassing the obligation of these promises might become in the presence of a necessity to make new pledges in collaboration with Mr. Churchill.

Inescapably, in such a situation, the British record of promise-breaking (which still is, we believe, the all-time high) would be bound to involve yourself in the general skepticism.

And then, of course, there is that sense of the dramatic and the call to high idealism that is always luring American Presidents into the foreign trap: just look what it did for your illustrious predecessor, Professor Wilson!

We well knew your zeal for a program of the "four freedoms" to be imposed "everywhere in the world," and we seriously doubted if Great Britain could be induced to go along with you on them.

There was for example, the freedom of religion. We could not for a moment picture the English ever dropping their ban against Catholics in order to accommodate one of your four freedoms within the United Kingdom.

Then there was the long record of India and Ireland, and all the other "slave states" under the empire; and we just could not see how any declaration of fundamental democracy like Wilson's assuring the "right of free peoples to choose their own government" could get to first base with a British Prime Minister as co-signer.

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And then we heard Mr. Attlee's broadcast and we knew that, in a manner of speaking, you were safe.

True, the joint declaration which you issued with Mr. Churchill does not intimate what went on at your secret meeting, but the nation — that part of it which reads newspaper serials and goes to the movies — will perhaps accept the thing as a "pattern for a future world" and a document for the ages.

As for ourselves, we were looking for some statement of war aims and we found only that this program is to be pursued "after the destruction of Hitler."

Well, we heard you say much the same thing in 1934!

As for the rest of the principles enunciated in the joint statement, this country has been for them ever since Mr. Wilson's day. But we cannot forget that most of them were thrown out at the Peace Conference of Versailles *at the insistence of Mr. Churchill's Britain!*

The jungle law of revenge and survival was interposed.

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Somehow, Mr. President, we'd almost rather it had been a fishing expedition. We may be a bit enthusiastic about the piscatorial sport, and we cannot help feeling that you are so much better at that.

However, now that you are home again, Mr. President, let down your net.

You have fished all night long without catching prosperity from our factories and fields for the profit of the American people at large, return home and let down your nets again.

There is plenty for all in this land of abundance if, at your word, you will have the courage to drive the sharks, the money changers, from the waters of our national life.

Come back home, Mr. President, and let down your nets. We mean, disclose your real aims! Cease telling us about the "four freedoms" you desire to establish "everywhere in the world."

Begin telling us by deeds of the freedoms which you can establish at home: freedom from dictatorship, freedom from insufferable taxation, freedom from forced idleness, freedom from financial exploitation and profiteers, freedom from subversive *cliques* infesting Washington, freedom from minding other nations' business to the neglect of our own, freedom from broken promises.

Catch these enemies. Then, history will record that "he went fishing" and secured a draught of such great quantity that not only those of our own household but all other households profited greatly thereby.

SEBASTIAN IGNOTUS

Franco Is Pro-Axis

MANY persons wonder why Franco is pro-Axis; why he is not pro-Britain and pro-Russia.

The *Catholic Review* submits the following explanation:

"Many Americans no doubt were troubled by the espousal by Generalissimo Francisco Franco of the Nazis' attack on Stalin's forces and his advice to this country to keep out of the World War.

"But is it surprising that Franco has spoken so? Is it surprising that volunteers from Spain have gone to help the Nazis fight the Soviet Reds?

"When Spain was fighting for its very life against the Reds who tried to destroy that nation, England and the United States openly showed their sympathy for the Reds. Even in the Executive Mansion in Washington, the President and the First Lady of the Land gave encouragement to the propagandists who were interested in seeing the Reds destroy Spain.

"The First Lady of the Land publicly called the most violent feminine anarchist in Spain, 'a most remarkable woman.'

"The First Lady of the Land was proud to be seen in company with the Ambassador whom the Red government of Spain sent to this country.

"United States Senators and Representatives, duped by paid propagandists, did the extraordinary thing of sending a message of congratulation and felicitation to the Red forces which had taken over Spain. On the other hand Germany and Italy helped Franco.

"All along the Catholic newspapers and Catholic publications kept warning this country of the bitterness and hatred it was engendering against itself in Spain and the Latin American countries.

"Catholic newspapers told the secular press, the propagandists and the Americans in general they were creating bitterness in Spain and the Latin American countries which they now seek to have on their side.

"For years, even before the war in Spain broke out, the Catholic papers warned of the enmity which American writers and other travelers were sowing in the hearts of the Latin American people. Even some writers on secular publications sounded similar warnings. But the warnings were not heeded."

The Pittsburgh Catholic

THE OFFICIAL organ of Bishop Hugh C. Boyle of Pittsburgh is definitely pro-Hurley and anti-Beckman.

As such it is pro-war and anti-peace.

As a whole, Archbishop Beckman "seems to stand with those who believe the United States can remain at peace by simply staying out of war," says the *Pittsburgh Catholic.*

Why not?

Does the *Pittsburgh Catholic* endeavor to answer the question: Why are we going to war?

Will the *Pittsburgh Catholic* stultify itself by saying we are going to war to defeat Naziism and fail to remember that the downfall of Hitlerism in Europe means the upswing of Stalinism in Europe?

Does the *Pittsburgh Catholic* disregard the categorical statement made by Pius XI to the effect that we cannot co-operate with Communism in any manner whatsoever?

In the July 31st issue of this official diocesan organ we read:

"It may be assumed that Archbishop Beckman took counsel with other Catholics whose anti-administration attitude governs their stand on all matters of national policy (the mental processes of Father Coughlin, for instance, can readily be detected in the presentation), and that this statement represents the best case that can be made against the views put forth by Bishop Hurley."

The above lines indicate that the editors of the *Pittsburgh Catholic* are not very familiar with Father Coughlin's past attitude nor with Archbishop Beckman's apostolic presentation of the current facts.

At no time was Father Coughlin "anti-administration" in the sense that nothing this administration did or is doing is constructive and soundly sociological from a Christian viewpoint.

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True, Father Coughlin took exception to specific actions of the administration.

Let us recall for the *Pittsburgh Catholic* a few facts.

The Royal Oak priest's first opposition to the Roosevelt regime was aroused over the New Deal's foreign policy in Mexico, as both Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Joseph Kennedy, one-time head man of the S.E.C., can attest.

Mr. Roosevelt knew this when Father Coughlin spent approximately eight hours with the President of the United States at Hyde Park on the day that Senator Huey Long of Louisiana died from the wounds of his assassins.

Previous to that date, Father Coughlin had been mildly critical of the administration on other points.

For example, the record shows that the Royal Oak priest supported the New Deal's gold nationalization *because he believed that those who advocated it meant what they said.* But, as soon as he discovered how he and the gold nationalists had been hoodwinked, he opposed the execution of the *Act,* for then he understood that it was not a *Nationalization Act,* but a process by which gold was confiscated from privateers to be handed over, in great part, to the Federal Reserve Bank.

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The record also indicates that Father Coughlin opposed the so-called sanctions which the New Deal invoked against Italy on the grounds that Italy was, at that time, a friendly nation who, in her entire history, had committed no overt act against the United States.

Finally — previous to the death day of Senator Huey Long — Father Coughlin opposed the foreign policy of the New Deal towards Mexico in so far as the Roosevelt administration had adopted a policy of buying silver from Mexico at inflated prices for the profit of the Communistic government which dominated the destinies of the Republic South of the Rio Grande.

It is merely incidental to remind the people that Father Coughlin objected to the foreign policy of the Roosevelt administration because it persisted in coddling Communists, in recognizing the Soviet Republic, in advocating America's participation in the World Court which was the backdoor of the internationalistic-Jewish-controlled League of Nations.

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But back to the death day of Senator Huey Long and the eight hour conference Father Coughlin held with President Roosevelt.

That was the day when Father Coughlin understood precisely from the lips of the President that the Chief Executive's policy towards the Communists in Mexico would not be altered.

As a result, the Royal Oak priest, recognizing the radical tenor of this administration's unalterable foreign policy — a foreign policy now manifest to all persons — decided that what this country needed was not a New Deal so much as a new deck of cards!

The *Pittsburgh Catholic* forgets that long before its editors awoke to what was transpiring in America, Father Coughlin had suggested to Mr. Roosevelt — in the early Spring of 1933 — the need for America to initiate a good neighbor policy in South America. Even before the first inaugural ceremony of March, 1933, it was Father Coughlin who proposed sending an ambassador to South America who would help to break down the notion widely entertained in the diplomatic quarter of the 21 Republics South of us that the United States was an anti-Latin, anti-Catholic Republic.

All preparations were made for sending a person of high repute to the South American Republics to initiate the good neighbor policy on the only substantial grounds acceptable to the South Americans.

A volume could be written on this point from records in Father Coughlin's files — records which the editors of the *Pittsburgh Catholic* have never investigated.

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Perhaps it is time to disclose the following:

Prior to 1933, Chancellor Breuning went to Paris to seek a meager credit loan for Germany, hoping to purchase raw materials for his country.

Through the influence of M. Blum, the loan was denied. Chancellor Breuning returned home heavy-hearted. He recognized that Marxism — if not Communism — would overrun his native land.

In 1934, the Royal Oak priest was aware of the advances being made by the Communists in Germany. He was aware that the old Republican order was doomed. He was aware, as he publicly wrote, that a hitherto unknown personage by the name of Adolf Hitler would rise to power — not to half-power under Hindenberg, but to full power.

Then Father Coughlin approached certain persons in the administration at Washington to extend credit immediately to Germany, to help the German Republic ward off the aggressions of the Communists and the aggressions of the Marxists.

"Why," asked he, "are you reluctant to include Germany in your so-called good neighbor policy? Germany is our outer line of defense against the Moscow Communists."

He was answered: *"If it is the last thing we ever do, we will break Germany!"*

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That was in the year 1934.

That was in the year when the *Gold Nationalization Act* was passed. That was in the year when the price of gold was raised from $20.67 an ounce to $35 an ounce to make pre-payment to the British Empire for its conduct of the forthcoming war.

World War No. 2 was planned as early as 1934.

It was planned in London and in Washington.

It was planned, if necessary, in favor of the Moscow Communists by men who preferred accepting the Soviet brand of civilization to the pacification of Europe.

Possibly, Archbishop Beckman knew of America's foreign policy and opposed it. Definitely, Father Coughlin knew of America's foreign policy and could not go along with it because it was hand in glove with the Commissars of the Kremlin who had massacred, according to report, 20-million Christians; who had driven the cross of Christ out of Russia; who promised to create world revolution; and whose members already had edged themselves into the offices of the American administration.

On the other hand, who, more than Father Coughlin, fought for the organization of labor and helped bring about the passage of the *Wagner Labor Act?*

Who, more than Father Coughlin, campaigned for Government expenditures for necessary public works— a policy adopted by the administration?

Who, more than Father Coughlin, publicized the principle that taxation should be levied on one's ability to pay? (Social Justice Principle No. 13.)

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It is futile to attempt to tell the editors of the *Pittsburgh Catholic,* and other pro-war, pro-Soviet, pro-British publicists — consciously or unconsciously — that Archbishop Beckman did not consult with Father Coughlin for the composition of the address which the prelate from Dubuque broadcast to the chagrin of the war-mongers and the Soviet co-operators.

We would ask the editors of the *Pittsburgh Catholic,* however, to review the history of pre-revolutionary Spain.

We would ask them to recollect that the Loyalists — the pro-Communists — for the most part were misinformed Catholics who numbered in their ranks many misinformed clergymen.

What happened in Spain can happen elsewhere.

A concluding remark is this: The foreign policy of the New Deal is remarkable in that it has extended aid and succor *to every country opposed to Catholicism* — including Great Britain, where the *Act of Succession* is still in vogue.

Comment

Convoys to Iceland

CONTRARY to Mr. Roosevelt's pledge—and contrary to the law of the United States (*Neutrality Act*)—the United States Government is engaged in operating convoys to Iceland.

Iceland is outside the Western Hemisphere. It is less than three hours flying distance to Norway.

Meanwhile, bundles for Britain will be collected from every quarter of America; will be cargoed to the Atlantic seaboard; and will be convoyed to Iceland.

At the same time, bundles from Britain are being convoyed by British warships to the United States and Canada. While we send food, clothing, munition and airplanes abroad, England is sending us Scotch whisky, pottery and fine woolen wear—all of which are sold at a profit for the Britishers whose motto is, "Business as Usual!"

In the matter of Harold Ickes and his oil curtailment for the Eastern seaboard states, Great Britain is using her tankers to carry oil to her customers and using our tankers to carry oil to Britain. Our people, through the *Lend-Lease Bill,* are actually giving oil to foreigners who welshed on their debts.

And, incidentally, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt recently remarked that many of our boys resident in the Southern states were under-educated and under-nourished. The First Lady of the Land gave that as an excuse for some of the extravagances reportedly committed by these boys.

While this may be true, these same boys are being deprived of the wealth in America that is being cargoed by convoys to Britain.

When will human bundles be cargoed to Dakar?

Only an addle-patted "patriot" entertains the opinion that this administration does not mean to go full sled length in bundling off the flesh and blood of America to fight on foreign soil.

The trouble with our administration is that it is more British than it is American. And the trouble with our American citizens is that they are more inclined to be pro-British than realists.

American Jobs for Britishers

HERE is a startling record:

The payment of $292 traveling expenses from England to Boston of Colonel Harry M. Leapman of the British air force; and the payment of $360 in fees to the Colonel in connection with lectures he delivered for propaganda are disclosed in vouchers of the Massachusetts Committee on Public Safety.

These items are on file in the office of the State Comptroller.

Thus, we have arrived at the day when British propagandists — such as Colonel Wedgwood — are outmoded in that they pay their own way to stir up war sentiment in the United States in favor of Great Britain.

The new style is for us to pay transportation for war-mongers and then reward them for spawning their spurious specimen of patriotism in our ears.

In the *Boston Post* (August 1), J. Wells Farley, executive director of the Committee on Public Safety, issued a statement in which he justified payment of Massachusetts state money to Colonel Leapman and to two British women employed on the State defense program.

Mr. Farley's justification of the employment and payment of British subjects was based, so he said, on his belief that the danger to the peace of Massachusetts, if the state should be attacked, is so great that persons who have been directly in contact with bombings are best able to advise.

What do the citizens of Massachusetts plan to do about this?

Have they adopted the principle that now is the propitious time to hire murderers to shoot them down; to hire Benedict Arnolds to betray them; to hire Al Capones to wreck them?

Too long have we been too docile, permitting the Britishers to invade us and undo what was accomplished at Lexington and Concord.

Wake up Massachusetts!

Wake up America!

Secretary Knox Explains

SECRETARY of the Navy, Frank Knox, admitted to the Senate Naval Affairs Committee—under pressure—that an American destroyer dropped three depth bombs "to warn off a submarine which seemed to be approaching the ship in the North Atlantic."

Supposing the depth bombs had sunk the German submarine — or supposing they didn't sink it but merely attempted to sink it—that would be regarded as an act of war.

American destroyers have no business operating in belligerent waters. Nevertheless, despite the *Neutrality Act,* Mr. Roosevelt has seen fit to create causes for war on the principle that the United States cannot endure unless Britain is victorious.

The exact words employed by Mr. Knox in making his admission are these:

"One United States destroyer operating off Greenland heard the SOS of a steamer and proceeded to the location and picked up 60 of the survivors of the steamer," Mr. Knox said.

"While engaged in this act of mercy, the operator of the listening equipment reported to the captain that he thought he heard a submerged submarine.

"The captain immediately turned toward the direction indicated and dropped three depth charges. In doing this he very prudently exercised the right of self-preservation, for had there been a submarine there, his destroyer might have been sunk."

It is disconcerting, to say the least, when so many ardent New Dealers continue to believe the President and his Secretaries whose pre-election promises to keep us out of war have gone with the wind. Just "campaign oratory."

Does Germany Plan to Invade the United States?

MESSRS. Roosevelt, Willkie, Ickes, together with the vociferous *clique* of "ve vant var" people (V for victory), entertain the fabulous idea that German troops will invade the United States, if England falls.

All these gentlemen are so glad to make an odd penny, either for themselves or their families, that they should cash in on their sure bet opinion.

Here is how:

According to an Associated Press dispatch of August 6th:

"Lloyd's of London is willing to risk odds of 1000 to 1 that Washington won't be bombed in the next 12 months.

"Rates of $1 on $1000 were quoted today by the British firm's agency here on war and bombardment insurance, good for one year and involving no cancellation clause.

"The policy covers 'loss of or damage to the property insured caused by war, bombardment, military or usurped power, or by hostile aircraft or friendly aircraft while engaged on active service during wartime, including bombs, shells, and or missiles, dropped or thrown therefrom or discharged thereat, and fire and or explosions directly caused by any of the foregoing, whether originating on the premises insured or elsewhere.'

"The $1 premium covers houses, apartments, hotels, banks and such buildings; on non-manufacturing commercial risks, it rises to $1.50; on manufacturing risks, excluding armament works, the rate is $2 on $1,000."

Can you imagine Mrs. Roosevelt not betting an odd dollar on this sure thing?

Can you imagine the "ve vant var" boys in Vall Street failing to gain from such a sure-fire speculation?

The British will give a thousand to one that Washington won't even be bombed, let alone invaded, this year.

From their talk, one would think that Messrs. Roosevelt, Willkie, etc., would give like odds that Lloyds is talking through its hat.

Important Omission

ONE of the "four freedoms," which President Roosevelt proposed to establish "everywhere in the world," has been left out of the Roosevelt-Churchill declaration, perhaps out of deference for Dictator Stalin who does not go for "freedom of religion," says the *New York Daily News.*

Commenting upon the joint declaration the *Daily News,* said:

"It appears . . . that Mr. Roosevelt, who suggested the meeting, has sold Mr. Churchill on the 'four freedoms'—but with a notable omission. Nothing is said about the freedom of religion . . . There remain only freedom of speech and freedom from fear and want. This neglect to say anything about freedom of religion is in deference, we take it, to our new ally, Joe Stalin. We have small doubt that Mr. Roosevelt . . . envisions a world . . . with himself as President of the whole layout and Mr. Churchill as his Prime Minister."

Letters

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Calls for Action

TO THE EDITOR:

Here we are at the very spot Father Coughlin said we would find ourselves if we placed too much trust and power into the hands of one mortal man.

In God alone, he warned, can we trust.

Here we are, four out of every five of us in this great land, hoping, praying and struggling to keep the United States out of this mad war and, yet, every day finds us ever nearer to its searing flames! Why?

First, we are being kept disunited by the very ones who promised to keep us out of war, but instead we find that they are doing everything they can to sneak us in; and second, we placed too much trust and too much power into the hands of the New Dealers who should be on our side (the keep-out-of-this-war side) instead of on the side of those who want to get us in.

We can put a stop to this double cross, but we must get together on this one point, that there is only one way in which to keep the United States out of war and that is by way of impeachment!

Congress, in order to do the will of the people, can and must declare a "state of high alarm and of double-cross." It then can and should choose a stop-gap administration from out of its own membership.

Next, it can summon all of the present New Deal before it, there to answer for all of its mis-deeds, mis-use of power and broken promises.

This can and must be done now if we are to remain a free people.

—H.C.

New York, N. Y.

We Can't Explain It

TO THE EDITOR:

Would you please explain why such priests as Father Coughlin have to be silenced, while Bishop Hurley who shouts for war has free speech?

Father Coughlin only enlightened and instructed the ignorant, a real corporal work of mercy.

Too bad there aren't more Bishop Gallaghers and Beckmans and Curleys to lead the way out of this dark age.

Their critics may wake up too late to the fate of Cardinal Woolsey of England and with remorse say, "Had I served my God as well as my king, He would not have forsaken me in my old age."

Silence the war-mongering priests and bishops before millions of Catholics throw away a faith that has such weak-minded leaders shouting for an alignment with Stalin.

—Mrs. J.H.

Newark, N. J.

On a Park Bench

TO THE EDITOR:

I was sitting in the shade of a tree in Westlake Park on a sweltering hot day, the morning of the headlines: *"President Ousts Nazi Consuls."*

Two men were sitting on the same bench, so I could not help hearing what they were saying. One was a very well dressed man. He did the talking but the other man agreed with him in everything.

The first man said, "See these headlines! I voted for Roosevelt three times, now he has betrayed us. I would never vote for him again.

"There are many thousands of American born, and thousands of naturalized German boys, who would shed the last drop of their blood in defense of America, on American soil; and many thousands more, descended from other European countries, who are just as loyal to America.

"But, what Hitler gave the Jews was a picnic excursion to what they will get in this country on declaration of war on foreign soil. Hitler at least, let them live; here they will be massacred. America is fed up to the bursting point with this interfering in everything here."

I have been thinking ever since of writing and reporting this to SOCIAL JUSTICE as I think it should be known.

I have bought SOCIAL JUSTICE ever since it was founded. I started on the fourth copy. It is much easier to pay $5.20 at 10 cents a week than it would be to pay $3 all at once, and I help an old lady to make a living by doing so.

Los Angeles, Calif. —M.C.

The War of 1941 is Only 1914 World War in Reverse

TO THE EDITOR:

Like death, war hysteria is not a respecter of persons.

Public officials, rectors of universities — yea, even a Catholic bishop — who prate of defending "democracy" demand the forceful coercion of human beings on this side of the Atlantic ocean to aid the most powerful empire on the other side without batting an eye or evincing a qualm of conscience.

When Stalin made a political pact with the Nazis he was a demon incarnate; now that even a Hitler can no longer stand for Stalin's double-dealing, Soviet Russia is once more a "friendly nation" to the American Pinks and Reds.

Apart from a few unmitigated pacifists, a vast majority of the American people are determinedly opposing our entry into the European war and the forceful conscription of American citizens — not only because our war aims are confusing and dubious, but also because the methods employed to entangle America in the European war net have been deceitful, dishonest.

If there be any doubt about the justice of war aims (which are camouflaged under the innocuous label of "defense") there can be no doubt of the injustice and downright criminal character of some of the methods employed to blind, confuse, and pervert the minds of the people.

Not victory, and its consequent excesses and tyrannies, but peace founded on justice is the only legitimate war aim even for those directly concerned with and involved in the war—namely the European nations.

Let mountebanks and fools imagine that a just and lasting peace can possibly come from crushing one's foes and starving them into a forced and one-sided truce.

The war of 1941 is that of 1914 reversed. Men in power today have learned practically nothing from the last war except to hate the enemy and to love themselves more than ever. Neither side is sufficiently Christian and civilized to make a just and equitable peace unless forced by Providence or providential circumstances.

As a proof of this strong statement I refer the critical reader to the monstrous *Treaty of Versailles* and the extension of the British blockade six months or more thereafter.

The war-mongers are simply out to "get their man" at all costs. To gain their end they are willing to throw all America into hysteria about Hitler's mad intentions to "conquer the world"—even though he cannot, apparently, subjugate the little island across the Channel.

One need not stretch a point in opining that on the Last Day the Supreme Judge will look over the war-mongers with an accusing voice: "I was hungry, and you starved Me; I was naked and helpless, and you used Me for cannon-fodder; I was homeless, and you took Me into concentration camps; I was sick, and you left Me to die on the battlefield; I was in prison, and you set Me loose to vent my revenge upon society. I was a decent and law-abiding citizen, *and you forced Me into a foreign war at the point of a gun,* depriving Me of My rights to peace and freedom!"

And the war-mongers will answer: "Lord, when did I starve You, kill You, imprison You, let You rot on the battlefield, or set You loose upon a helpless society? When did I rob You of your God-given right of peace and freedom!"

"Amen whatsoever you did to the least of My brethren, you did it unto Me."

—Rev. A.F.K.

Cleveland, Tenn.

They Ought to Thank Hitler!

TO THE EDITOR:

The New Dealers ought to be everlastingly grateful to Adolf Hitler for his invaluable assistance in pulling them out of a very bad hole.

Every single one of their crackpot experiments failed to solve the unemployment problem. The millions of unemployed were on the verge of getting out of hand. The New Dealers were at their wits end. Their bag of new deal tricks had already been exhausted.

Then along came Hitler. This gave them precisely the peg on which to hang a sudden vast program of armaments and "defense." That saved the day. The unemployment situation is temporarily relieved. What happens when the emergency is over I fear to contemplate.

The British ought to love Hitler for affording them the golden opportunity to drag the United States back into the blood drenched bosom of the Empire without the necessity of firing a single shot.

Bishop Hurley ought to be grateful to Adolf for making it possible for him to acquire a lot of questionable publicity. He has suddenly become, and I quote the daily press, "an important Prelate."

The Jews ought to love Hitler for allowing their fellow racialists to escape from the wrath of the German people with nothing more than a $400-million fine. Did not Hitler himself say "but for me there would not be a Jew alive in Germany today"?

Catholics the world over should be grateful to Hitler for sending arms and men to Spain to help General Franco drive the priest-killing "loyalists" from Catholic Spain. They should applaud him for driving the Blums and their cohorts from France, thus giving the "eldest daughter of the Church" one more chance to live.

All of the following owe Hitler their undying gratitude for lifting them out of the hum drum existence of average citizens into the questionable lime-light of interventionism: Senator Claude Pepper, Wild Bill Donovan, Col. Frank Knox, Secretary Henry Stimson, Wendell Willkie and *ad infinitum.*

St. Louis, Mo. —W.L.

Toughening 'em Up!

TO THE EDITOR:

I have been kept very busy on a small maneuver here for the last few days. I am going to tell you what I think of the new army as briefly as I can. I think they are *trying to kill us instead of building us up.*

Last Monday, they made us march 20 miles in the hot sun, with our full field packs on our backs. Well, when the 47th infantry reached the end of the line, there were 857 of the men lying all around the roads in back of them. I was one of them.

The heat was too much for us, and we are only allowed one quart of water a day, and after two hours the water is too hot to drink.

—Another Rookie

Fort Bragg, North Carolina

Letters

After War -- Chaos!

TO THE EDITOR:

It strikes me that the great mass of American people have become apathetic, having become so accustomed to good wages, easy life and liberty of which we hear so much nowadays that, in their feeling of security, they overlook the fact that a national catastrophe of this nature can befall even the citizens of a great nation such as ours.

I am a bit disappointed that SOCIAL JUSTICE has not taken up this issue more vigorously for I believe the sixteenth principle of social justice covers the subject.

Throughout all this war hysteria, foreign propaganda to induce our entrance into the war, and the lying and distorting of news by certain writers and high officials, the average person easily forgets what the aftermath may bring—such as inflation, moral degeneration and wrecking of the whole form of government.

—Dr. E.J.K.

Flushing, N. Y.

In the Army Now

TO THE EDITOR:

We have an Army store right here where I can get anything I want, the only thing is when a man is in uniform these stores here, and those downtown like to rob a fellow and charge him double for everything! We also have to buy about half of our outfit if we want to look half way decent.

I just had a chicken dinner, or should I say "crow"? Dinner is over now and most of us are going to the Canteen, that is our store, to get us a meal. I hate to say all this, but it is honest to God truth. Back home everyone was bragging about how good the soldiers were fed. Now either they're a bunch of cock-eyed liars or else I'm in a lousy outfit!

They talk about us fellows being able to learn a trade. Well, I don't believe this outfit down here knows what a trade school is. All they want to teach us is how to go out and butcher other people and be butchered ourselves.

We had a funeral today, a fellow from H Company went to the doctor three times complaining of a pain in his side. The doctors gave him some pills and told him to report for duty. The fourth time they carried him in with a broken appendix; today they buried him.

Well, the march is over and what a hike! We brought home six dead men and a lot of sick ones. We walked about 60 miles through sand, woods and swamp, slept in a ditch two nights with no blanket and a day and a half without water. Some of the fellows just begged for rest and didn't get it. There was an average of one man every quarter mile stretched out along the road.

They opened their shirt, poured a pail of water over them and let them lay for the ambulance to pick up.

—A Private

Camp Livingston, La.

Soldiers Miss Paper

TO THE EDITOR:

I haven't seen a SOCIAL JUSTICE since I've been in the army. I always think it is one magazine that is not afraid to print the facts. We have quite a few magazines here in our Post Exchange, like *Life, Time, Click, Police Gazette* and lots of others, but no SOCIAL JUSTICE.

I went to newspaper stands in Columbia, but no luck, either. Tomorrow I'll try the church, perhaps I'll have better luck.

Since the age limit for new draftees is lowered to 28 years, most of us older fellows in the army think it isn't fair to keep us here the rest of the year. We think we are just as good as they are. They are at home and make good money and we have to stay here and get a few dollars a month. There are quite a few married men here, too. Can't there be anything done to give us a break?

I had a good job, a nice place to live and I have a good wife. Since I'm here, what help can I give? My wife isn't working, she stays with her father and to make matters worse, about 6 weeks ago he had a stroke and I can't help any. But such is life, I guess.

I just had to write to you. I for one shall always believe in SOCIAL JUSTICE.

—Buck Private

Fort Jackson, South Carolina

Anti-Christ in High School

TO THE EDITOR:

Until now I have hesitated to write about the incident I wish to relate for fear it would affect my graduation from high school.

Among my teachers was a Jewish instructor who taught biology. One day while "analyzing" the Nazi-Aryan theory, this teacher brought in Father Coughlin and spoke of him as "America's number one Nazi." Being a staunch supporter of Father Coughlin, I objected against this insidious slur on the character of our beloved priest.

I demanded from the teacher that he either quote or, in any way, show proof that Father Coughlin was a "Nazi." Apparently my outburst of protest angered him to such a degree, that he resorted to insulting and condemning the whole church. Among his many ludicrous insinuations were that:

(1) The Pope is a fascist.

(2) That the church is an anti-Semitic organization.

To make a long story short, he admitted that he was an atheist. He said that the world would be better off without religion. That the only religion an American should possess is "Americanism." This plainly shows his apparent ignorance of the difference between a religious and a political ideology.

His arguments so accurately followed the old Communist line that I told him that he led me to believe him to be a Communist. His only reply was, "There you go, waving the old red herring again, you Nazi!"

How long are we to tolerate such anti-Christians in our public school system?

When will we again be allowed to publicly profess our belief in Jesus Christ without being labeled "Fascist"?

Had I levelled the charges against the Jews that he levelled against Catholics, I would have surely been expelled.

Now I am about to attend a good Christian college, but how can I keep from wondering how such incident can occur in a democracy—if this is a democracy?

—F.C.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Sob Sister Act Overplayed at Cleveland Soldier Farewell

TO THE EDITOR:

I went down to the Cleveland Terminal to see my brother leave for the Army and I want to say I never saw anything so sad in all my forty years of experience. My poor mother was so bewildered she could not even speak to bid her son good bye.

Imagine if you can a good Christian boy being led to God knows where or what and being led, mind you, by the Jewish Veterans of Foreign War, the Wurlitzer Bugle Corps and to top it all, he was given a small bag containing tonsorial equipment by a Jewish man by the name of David Lederman with the compliments of the Jewish Veterans of America!

The Terminal was over run by this Hitler-hating element and it seemed to anyone who was observing enough to see that the way they acted was planned ahead of time for the benefit of those who do not know what this war is all about.

They would stand around in gangs of fifteen or twenty. One of the gang would go through the motions of wailing her heart out with a 'kerchief to her eyes while the rest stood behind with that sorrowful look but no tears, patting her and possibly encouraging her to keep it up as they were attracting the attention of those poor deluded souls who were so dumbfounded because their sons were leaving could not see through their scheme and would feel sorry for them.

Even my own mother fell for this act until I took her around to see them standing in bunches in all the places where it was convenient to attract attention and as stated above, there would be one in each gang very pretty to look at who would do the sob sister act.

If my brother has to die in war, I am willing to die with him, but *let it be a war to end the reign of those responsible for all the wars.*

—E.R.

Cleveland, Ohio

Woe to People That Abandon God

TO THE EDITOR:

Congratulations for your strong fight to keep us out of war.

Honest people realize that you are carrying on the fight for principles which made our country great, and which are the only principles which can keep us great since those principles recognize the Supreme Creator as the fountain of all our blessings. Those blessings will always flow to our beloved land as long as the majority of its citizens keep His commandments.

The prophet Isaiah said: "Woe to that nation whose people have abandoned God!"

—C.B.

New York, N. Y.

Are We Mice, or Men?

TO THE EDITOR:

Harry Hopkins' hop to Moscow to shake the blood-stained hand of Joe Stalin marks a new low in the long, high-handed, un-American, un-democratic way of New Dealism.

What will the big bankers and big business men think of that hop? Pal Joey is an anti-capitalist of the first water.

What will the Christians who are now backing F.D.R. think?

And what about the Democrats behind Roosevelt? Pal Joey is the world's No. 1 anti-democrat; he is anti-Christ and anti-God.

It seems to me that F.D.R. has made his first big international blunder and it will mark the beginning of the end of a very "short" third term; or it will be the end of freedom for us in the United States.

Less talk and more action is what we, the 80 percenters, need to keep the United States out of this liberty-destroying foreign war.

Those who are forcing us in are using every foul means known to man. False fears and hidden threats are their main stock in trade and they are well armed with money to "buy" radio time and movie space.

Let us form a solid Christian front and demand that Congress act now to do these urgent things —stop the subtle sneak into war by taking back all those misplaced and much mis-used "peace time" war powers; put a stop to the one-sided war propaganda going on in the movies, on the radio and in the press; deport all foreign "war" propaganda agents including the British, the Red Russians and the "royal refugees."

And above all, let us demand that "our" Congress act now, to do the will of the majority of we the people and not the will of the small band of war-makers.

What we need is to get out in the open where we can be seen and heard.

If we don't act soon these anglophiles will hound our Congress into declaring war and that will become "The last act of Congress."

Are we mice or are we men?

—C.H.

Bronx, N. Y.

Comment

Chaplain Sheehy, Ex-Professor

In an Address broadcast (Aug. 9) over C.B.S., the Rev. Maurice Sheehy, formerly a professor at the Catholic University, and at present a chaplain in the U. S. Navy with rank of lieutenant commander, did a follow-up for Bishop Hurley of Florida.

Evidently, Father Sheehy's address was supposed to answer the opposition created by Bishop Hurley's lone attack on the pacifist Catholic press and his recommendation that Congress turn over to the President the supreme war making power.

Said Father Sheehy:

"Some so-called religious papers are so bitterly opposed to our Government that it is *incredible that they should long be allowed to vomit their spleen upon the youth of our land* . . . One paper has even begun to besmirch the good name of a Bishop among priests of his own diocese."

Of Russia, Lieut. Com. Sheehy said:

"Remember that the Russian people at this moment are defending their homes and their children, and the valor of the common people of Russia has made more remote the possibility of our entrance into war."

These are the words of American democracy, but the "homes" of Russia under the Bolshevik regime and its children as "wards of the Communist State," do not fit into the American meaning of these words. Perhaps, the young chaplain was trying to make the point that Adolf Hitler is still Christianity's enemy No. 1.

Using a peculiar piece of literary license, the Naval Chaplain then said:

"I am a member of the faculty of the Catholic University of America."

No doubt the absent-minded professor had forgotten for the moment that he had been dismissed from that job before he took the naval chaplaincy.

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We still wonder how Chaplain Sheehy can be permitted to use his official position in the United States Navy for political purposes, when we remember how selectees are punished for writing to their Congressmen to protest the double-cross extension of their draft; and how Senator Wheeler was called a "traitor" because a couple of franked postcards were received by men who happened to be in camp.

Has the Government of the United States instituted some special kind of political commissars within the armed forces who alone are free to speak for the Government? We do not think so.

We believe that Gen. Arnold and Bishop O'Hara ought to discipline any Navy chaplain who abuses his position as a Navy officer and a Catholic priest to speak for a political organization calling itself a "Council for Tolerance."

We are amazed that Chaplain Sheehy should speak for tolerance when he condemns as intolerance the publications of the Catholic Church which do not agree with his political views. Speaking for "tolerance" Chaplain Sheehy intolerantly recommends the suppression of an unnamed Catholic paper which by its Papal pacifism, he says, "destroys the morale of the armed forces."

We are at a loss to understand how a Catholic priest could even make such a charge; because, for years, Catholics and Catholic publications have gloried in their record of patriotism and loyalty.

But, Rev. Sheehy resurrects the old charge of the bigots that a Catholic cannot be a good citizen.

We recollect that the same Rev. Maurice Sheehy, a few years ago, speaking for the same "tolerance" Council, vigorously attacked Father Coughlin for his supposed anti-Semitism. That address of young Father "Morrie" was published in book form and widely disseminated throughout the country.

It seems that Fr. Sheehy is tolerant only when others agree with him. Chaplain Sheehy is a true "liberal": he is free to believe what he wants, but others are free to believe only what he wants them to.

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Chaplain Sheehy, who waxes indignant at Nazi Germany's suppression of the Catholic press, recommends that the United States Government suppress a certain unnamed pacifist anti-administration Catholic diocesan newspaper.

Certainly, Archbishop Beckman, in whose diocese the Rev. Maurice Sheehy is incardinated, does not dictate the political opinions of the young priest under his authority.

But, maybe, Chaplain Sheehy was attacking his own Archbishop, by insinuation, because that courageous prelate had criticized certain "clerical shipwreck Kelleys sitting on the flagpole on the White House lawn."

If the young chaplain — who used to be a college professor — studied the constitution, program and roster of the Council to which he loaned his ecclesiastical and Government position, he would realize that he was fronting for a notorious war-mongering political *clique*.

Since the Navy Chaplain is also a Catholic priest, and his utterances are subject to ecclesiastical censorship, we naturally wonder whether his Ordinary — the Most Rev. Archbishop — was given an opportunity to censor his address. The authorities are usually very careful in the case of advocates for peace — Father Coughlin, for example, or Archbishop Beckman himself.

The Navy Chaplain — once a professor — certainly did not face the issue when he refused — or did not dare — to name the offending Catholic newspaper which he would have the Government suppress.

Every Catholic publication in the country which follows the dictates of the Sovereign Pontiff of the Church is laid open to suspicion because of Fr. Sheehy's aspersions against an unidentified Catholic publication.

We believe that if any Catholic diocesan paper is guilty of "undermining the morale of the armed forces of the United States," Chaplain Sheehy has a duty as an American citizen, soldier and priest to expose that magazine, as others would expose Communist and Nazi *agit-prop* in the armed forces of the nation.

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Or, is the whole thing another "phoney?"

The Rev. Chaplain's absent-mindedness in stating his own position with regard to the Catholic University of America leads one to suspect that, perhaps, the young priest forgot to mention some other matters with an important bearing upon this nation-wide broadcast.

It seems to us that he does not contribute much to helping out Bishop Hurley's lonesome position.

Meanwhile, the world moves on. The Catholic religion, following in the steps of the terrible Hitler's invasion of Russia, celebrated Mass in the Cathedral ruins of Smolensk — for the first time since the extinction of God and religion by Soviet Russia.

A new order and a new day is rising in Europe. Certainly, propaganda will not stop it.

When His Holiness makes his peace with this new order, these violent anti-Hitler and pro-Stalin clerics must surely be revealed as gentlemen of the hour instead of philosophers of the ages.

Doom of Empire . . .

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than 13-million square miles, where reside 500-million persons!

By aggression following aggression, the army and the navy of British kings carried the Union Jack and all it represents over the lands and territories and islands listed above.

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And, by another type of aggression — financial aggression — the international bankers stemming from the Bank of England inflicted the policies of the Empire upon every capital in the world so successfully that the policies of the private money coiners and issuers — conceived in treason and born in intolerance — have become accepted as the moral force which determined the policies of business, commerce, industry and government on the shores of the seven seas.

The year 1941 is the doomsday year for Britain.

Last week marked a definite dissolution of the Empire's power in Europe — an empire that not only prated of democracy while she held 300-million slaves in bondage in India, but an empire which did not disdain to dice with Antichrist for the life of Europe.

And what will next week, or next month, reveal in the weakening walls of Britain's Oriental structure?

Already, Japan has marshaled troops in French Indo-China.

Shortly, the shadows of the Nipponese battalions in Thailand will hang over Bangkok and Mandalay.

And what of the German panzer troops? From Leningrad to Odessa through Kiev, they hold control of the Ukraine; they dominate the Black Sea.

Soon, the government of Ankara in Turkey will subscribe to the new order.

Soon, Iraq and Iran and Egypt will be overrun — unless London, opposing Mr. Roosevelt's pleas, will negotiate for a separate peace to save the remnants of the once proud British Empire — an empire built upon the mangled corpses of liberty for small nations and liberty of conscience.

YOUR LAST WEEK TO WIN!

GREAT "JUBILEE" CONTEST CLOSES MIDNIGHT, AUG. 28

Next Thursday — August 28 — on the stroke of Midnight, the great "JUBILEE" Contest of SOCIAL JUSTICE magazine will come to an end.

Within a week or so following that hour the winners will be announced — and many thousands of dollars in prize checks distributed to those who come out on top of the list.

It has been a great race — and the interest and enthusiasm will whip up steadily until the final hour.

From all indications, the competition for top prizes will be spirited and, in some instances, close. In a contest of this nature, it is difficult to predict who will win until all "precincts" have been heard from.

But, one thing can be said:

MANY A HANDSOME PRIZE IS WON BY THAT LAST SPURT OF ACTIVITY JUST BEFORE THE TAPE IS REACHED.

Every contestant these days should ask himself or herself these questions: Have I seen everybody who is a prospct for SOCIAL JUSTICE? Am I calling back on ALL persons who promised me subscriptions? Am I bending every possible effort to win?

These questions MUST all be answered in the affirmative if you are going to be "up there" when the final count of votes is made.

Another point:

IF YOU SHOULD RUN OUT OF COUPON BOOKS OR RECORD SHEETS DURING THE LAST DAYS — JUST SEND IN YOUR SUBS WITH A CLEAR RECORD OF THEM ON YOUR OWN STATIONERY TOGETHER WITH YOUR REMITTANCE.

But, if you wire the "CONTEST MANAGER" in time all necessary materials will be rushed to you by air mail special delivery.

Let these final days be hectic in your locality. Bear in mind that every subscription helps you up the ladder. Also, remember, your efforts are being directed towards the objective of paying the highest possible tribute to Father Coughlin, founder of SOCIAL JUSTICE, during this year of his Jubilee.

By all means, remember the "deadline." Your letter containing your final subscription report and remittance MUST be post-marked at or before Midnight, Thursday, August 28.

With this final reminder, we bid you to —

GO OUT AND WIN!

Schedule of Regular Votes

ON PREPAID SUBSCRIPTIONS TO

Social Justice Magazine

Subscriptions	Votes
6 months ($1.50)	4,000
1 year ($3.00)	10,000
2 years ($6.00)	30,000

The above are Regular Votes and will maintain the same values on both new and renewed subscriptions throughout the Contest.

BONUS VOTES

On each NEW subscription (2 years or 1 year), the following bonuses will be allowed:

30,000 EXTRA Votes from July 1 to July 28.

25,000 EXTRA Votes from July 29 to August 11.

20,000 EXTRA Votes from August 12 to August 26.

Extra or Bonus Votes are issued and credited only after conclusion of the Contest.

FINAL WORDS OF WARNING

Final instructions to all Contestants are herewith given, so that all will have a clear understanding of the method by which final returns are handled. The purpose of this method is a feeling of assurance in the mind of every person in the Contest that he or she is being treated with the utmost fairness.

At the end of a competition such as this, strict secrecy of the standing of Contestants is very desirable. No person is to know just how much cash a Contestant has turned in during the last days.

In order to attain this desirable objective, final reports will be handled under what is known as a SECRET REPORT SYSTEM. The final returns of Contestants bearing postmarks of August 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28 will be retained in their envelopes UNOPENED until Monday, September 1.

They will then be placed in the hands of the judges, who will open the final reports, count and tabulate the business contained therein, check all Votes and compute returns of the entire Contest for winners.

Remember — two days are given to wind up your business and mail your reports. These two days are Wednesday, August 27 and Thursday, August 28. The envelope containing your final returns MUST be post-marked on or before Midnight of Thursday, August 28.

It is estimated not more than two weeks will be required to determine Contest winners.

As a final caution, be sure that your final returns are properly made out. All subscriptions must be accompanied by the proper remittance in order to earn Contest Votes.

Be sure that all names and addresses are legibly written. Mail your stubs, Remittance Reports and remittances in an envelope or envelopes with your return address plainly written in the upper left corner.

Contestants with insufficient receipt books on hand may turn in subscribers' names and addresses on plain sheets of paper accompanied by the proper remittance

HERE THEY ARE IN BIG TYPE

FIRST GRAND PRIZE	$ 2,500
Second Grand Prize	1,500
Third Grand Prize	1,250
Fourth Grand Prize	750
Fifth Grand Prize	650
Sixth Grand Prize	550
Seventh Grand Prize	400
Eighth Grand Prize	300
100 Additional Grand Prizes	1,000
27 Special Cash Prizes	1,100
TOTAL CASH PRIZES	$10,000

Address All Contest Mail to:

'Contest Manager,' *Social Justice*,
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Internationalists Plan World Rule

THERE HAS BEEN considerable speculation about the cause of the Russo-German conflict. Unfortunately, most of the speculation ignores what happened to be the outstanding factor of the event which led to the outbreak of the Russo-German war.

As a matter of fact, Germany did not show much inclination to attack the Soviet while supplies of raw materials were reaching Russia through America. That is a most important point when one recollects these supplies were considerable – more considerable than our Government is prepared to admit.

As long as American goods were forthcoming to Germany through Russia, Hitler proclaimed to the world that Russia and Germany were fast friends.

But when supplies began to lag, the Fuehrer stated that international Jews were responsible for fomenting trouble between the two powerful neighbors.

At first, Hitler ignored this interference because Stalin seemed to be moving out of the Jewish orbit.

Suddenly the picture changed.

When President Roosevelt dramatically froze German credits in America, it was then obvious that Hitler could expect no more supplies from Russia. The Jewish influence had prevailed.

It was only then that Hitler attacked Stalin in order to obtain vital supplies which had been cut off when Germany's financial assets in America were rendered useless.

The United States, Great Britain and Soviet Russia will endeavor to evolve a "union nowism," under the persuasion of international Jewry which looks favorably upon a communistic modification of the world.

No sooner had Hitler declared war on the Communists than Great Britain and the United States offered all aid to Communists.

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Meanwhile, Catholics of note were lured into the campaign to argue down Pope Pius XI's admonition to the effect that Catholics may not co-operate with Communism in any manner whatsoever.

The same thing previously happened in Spain and in France. Thus, the international financiers in America proved that they were as adroit in America as they were in those other countries.

It was interesting to learn that a member of the British Economic Mission to Russia was Mr. Laurence Cadbury, representing the Bank of England. It is interesting to learn that Mr. Harry Hopkins, administrator of the *Lend-Lease* fund, was a visitor to England. The presence in Moscow of these spokesmen for the arm of international banking is significant.

According to Mr. Virgil Jordan, president of the International Industrial Conference Board, America's purpose in aiding Britain is to prevent the destruction of the empire, and, if this should not be possible, to take England's place as the heir and residuary legatee or receiver for whatever economic and political assets of the empire survive her defeat.

But America herself, already ruled, regulated and dominated by international bankers, who are first cousins to international Communists, will amalgamate with Josef Stalin's Sovietized Europe for the rule of the world.

That's how the picture will be framed should F.D.R.'s plans mature.

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